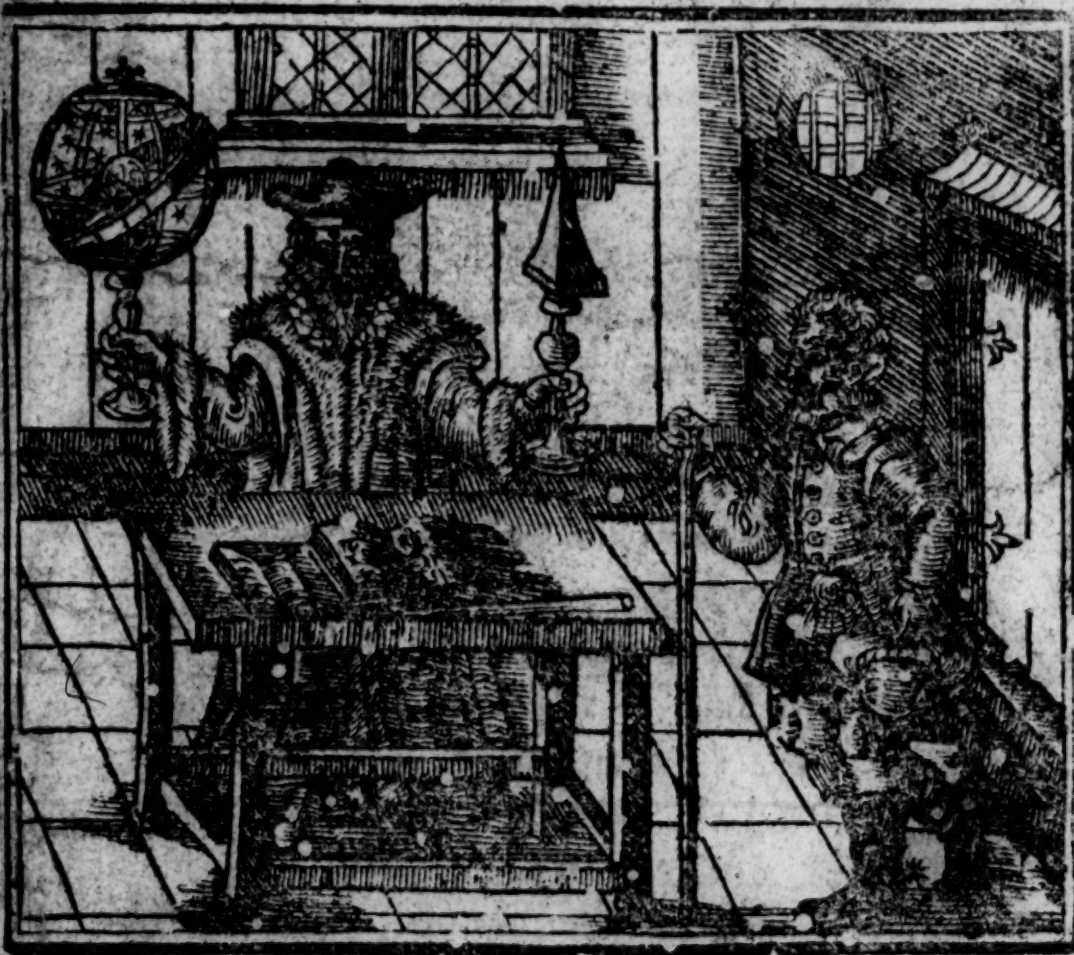


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love?* noted with this Character, XO, thereby
you shall find the Number 24, which sheweth
thee to the 24 Wheel: Hold this Wheel before
you, then cast you, or let them who desireth to
know the Question, throw with two Dice a free
Cast out of his Hand: Mark then how much you
threw that Cast with both the Dice, as 5, 6, 7,
8, or 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12; then find out the
Number you did throw, within the said Wheel:
As for Example, your Cast was 6; then you
shall find thereby written within the Wheel
this Word *Fountain*, but without the Wheel,
upon the Brim or Margent, directly over-a-
gainst this Word *Fountain*, you shall find this
Number 64; this sheweth you then further to the
lesser Globes or Balls, look then for the 64 Globe,
over which you will find written the Word *Foun-
tain*, noting to be the *Fountain-Globe*; within the
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the hindermost written Number 98, under the
Title of *Nymphæ*, where you in the Number 6,
which was your Cast, shall find the Resolution
and Answer upon your Question.

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upon the same Wheel: If you throw 12, upon
both Dice, look then for the Number 12, in the
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Worms; this signifieth so much unto you, that

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KI. 6. Whether that is said, be Truth or not.
PV. 4. Whether you shall finish the Business well, you do purpose.
ZV. 7. Whether the Person who giveth you fair and good Words remain constant to you.
GA. 16. What your Dream may signifie unto you.
BI. 21. What Adventure you shall have this present Day.
ZA. 15. Whether you shall make a good and happy End.
FV. 2. Whether the Person which is gone to travel, shall come in good Health back again.
MA. 5. Whether you shall be welcome, and have kind Entertainment where you intend to come.
SI. 11. Who amongst the married Couple, shall survive or outlive the other.
AR. 35. Whether you may trust your Secrets to a Friend, or not.
DE. 3. Whether you shall well perform your Journey.
XA. 8. In what Trade or Traffick you may have best Fortune to adventure your Estate or Money in.
ME. 20. To know if you shall soon come to Credit, Riches, Honour and Preferment.
GE. 19. To know if it were good to keep private Intelligence, or Correspondency with such a one.
AN. 26. To know in what kind of Cattle one had best Fortune to deal or adventure withal.

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- LE. 22. Amongst what kind of People the Person may be best accepted of, and most beloved and respected.
RI. 27. How many Wives a Man shall be like to have.
GI. 25. What manner of Wife he shall get.
ZE. 13. Whether you at last shall get those things again, which you have formerly lost.
KV. 9. Whether the Person you think or imagine upon, doth mean truly with you, and respecteth you.
SO. 17. Whether that which you now think upon shall come to pass, yea or no.
PO. 12. To know what Fortune may happen unto a Child newly born, either Boy or Girl.
XE. 14. To know whether you shall live long, increase in Riches, and be fortunate in your Age, yea or no.
PI. 18. Whether it be good to pursue any farther the same Business you desire to effect. BE.

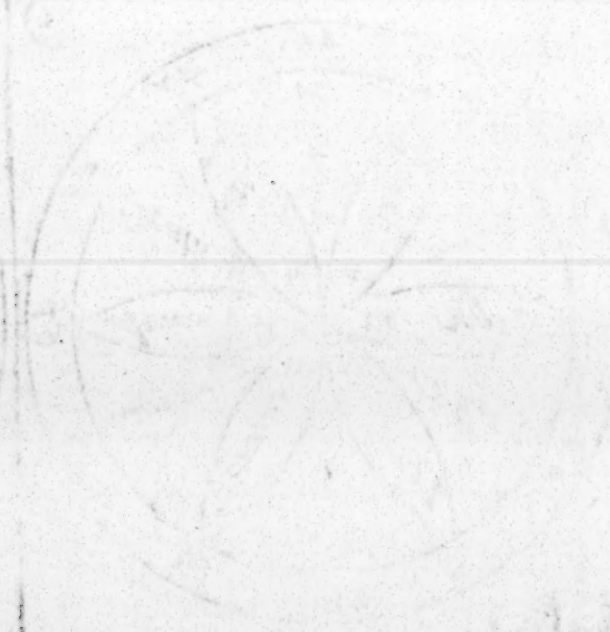
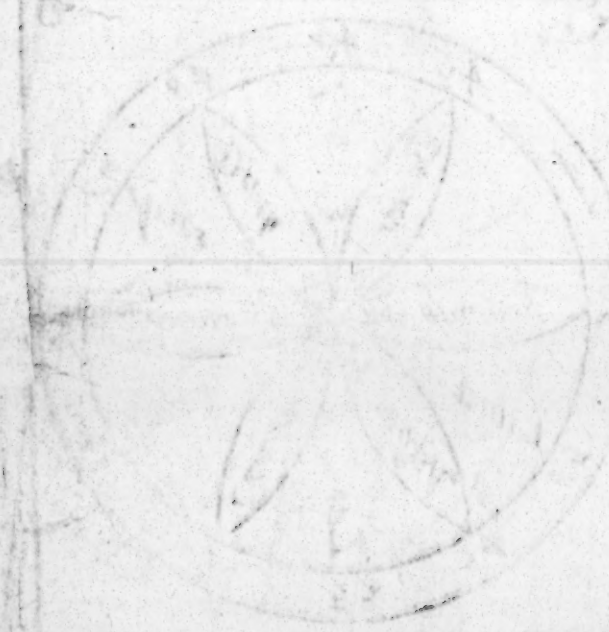
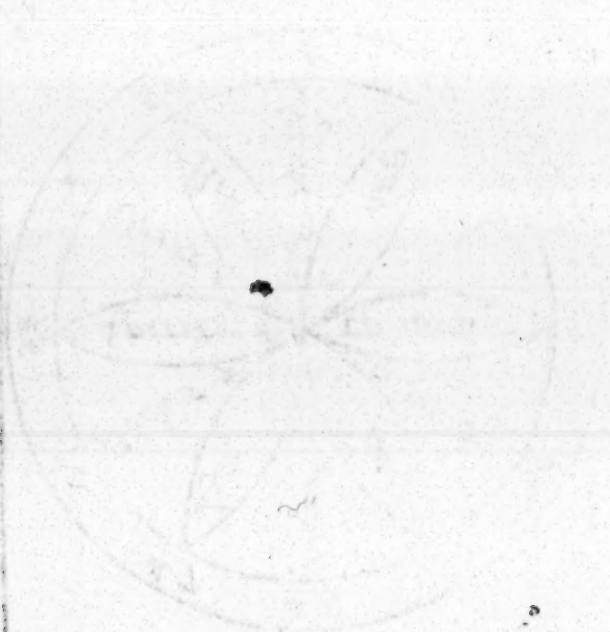
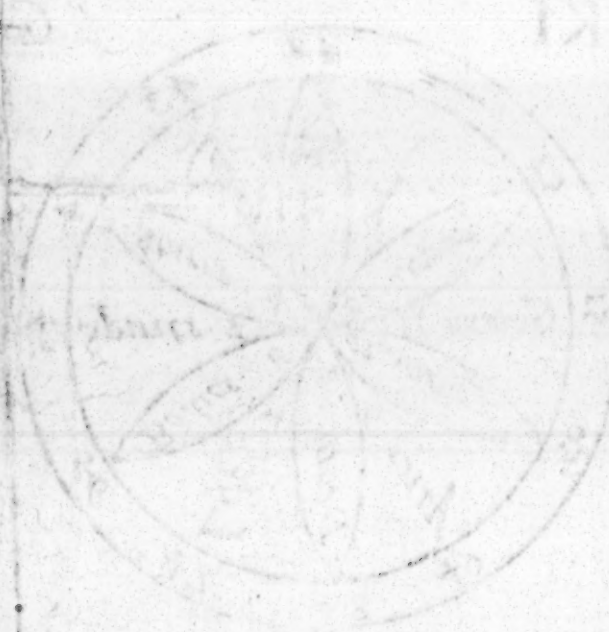
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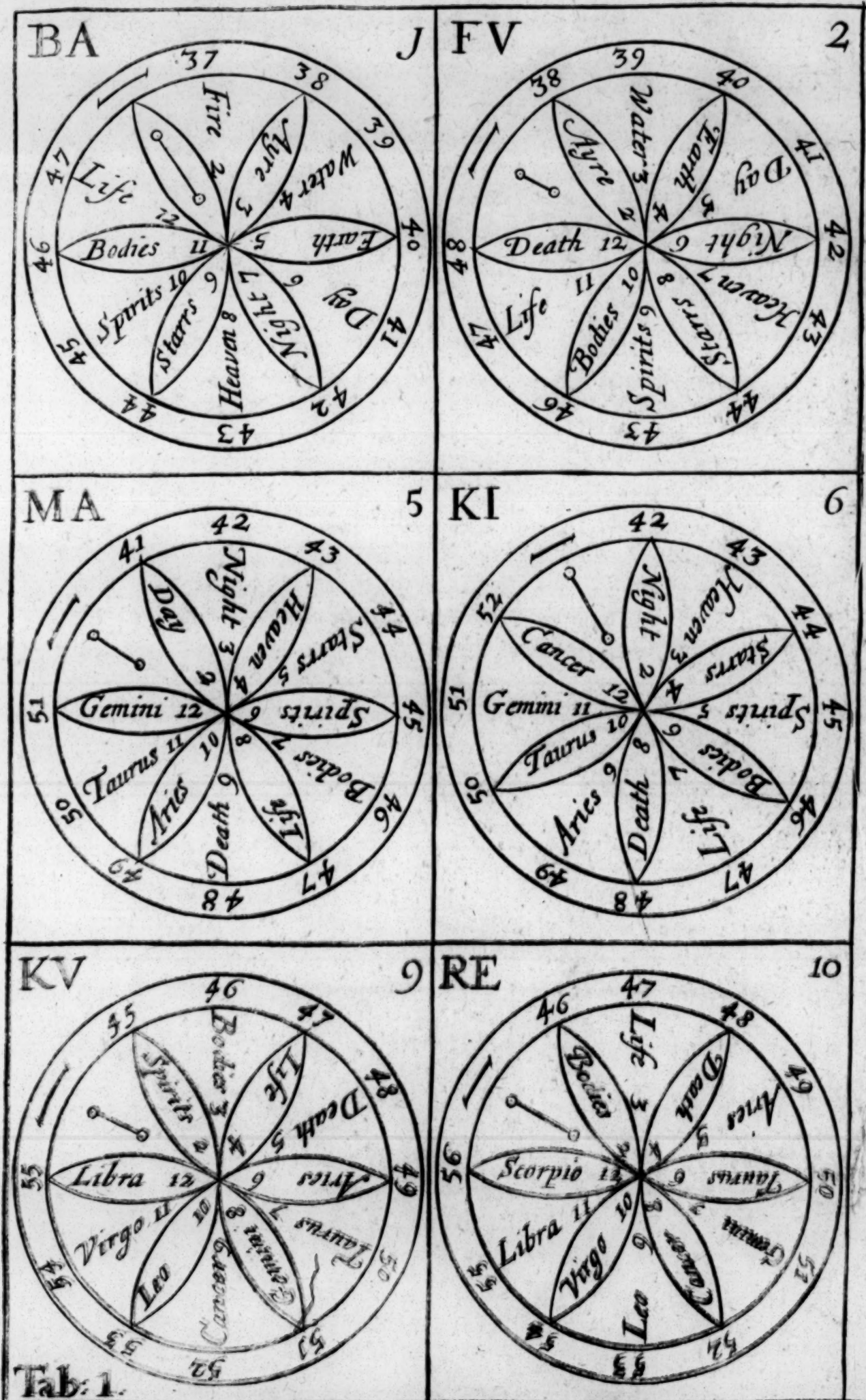
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XO. 24. To be certain, yea or no, whether yet you shall have her or not, whom you do respect and love.

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- LO. 28. Amongst what People one may be accepted of.
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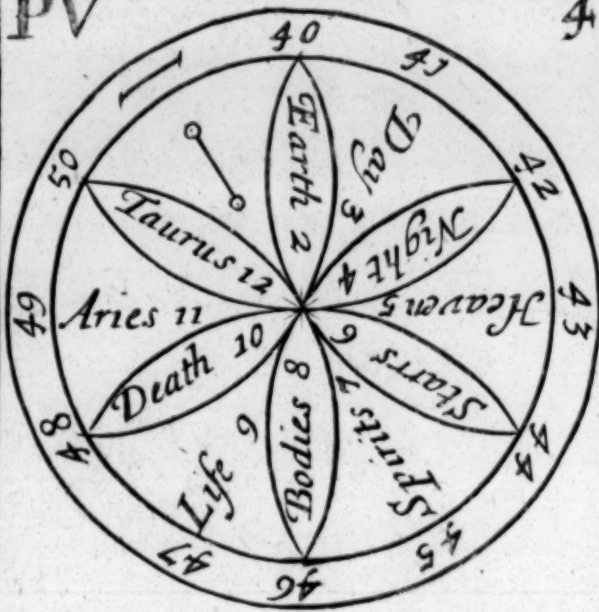


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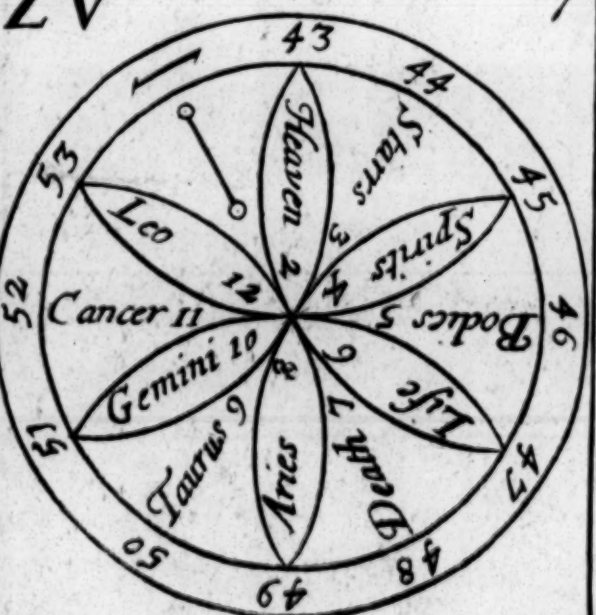
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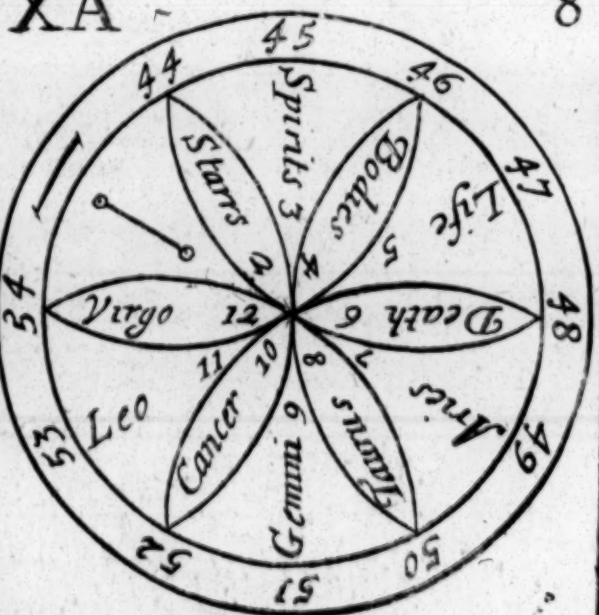
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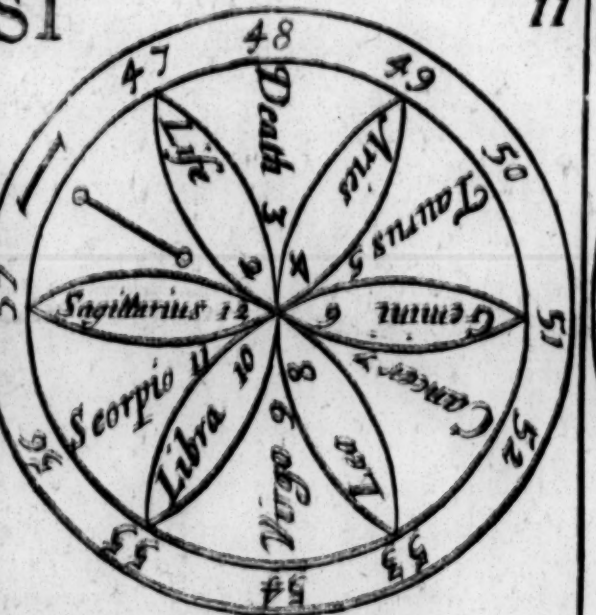
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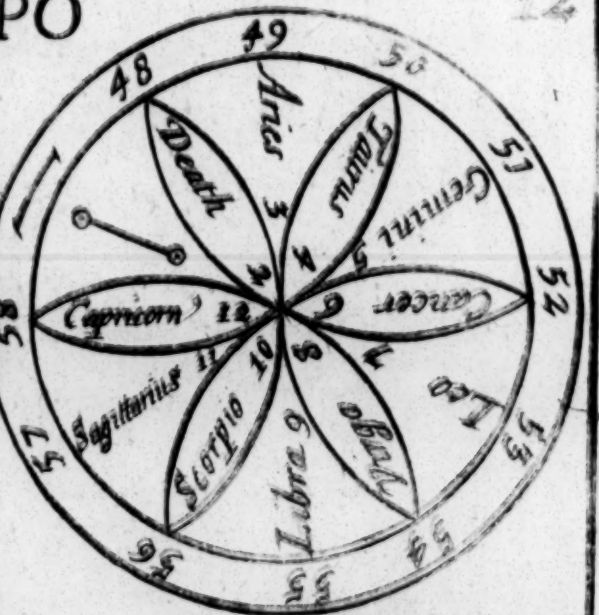
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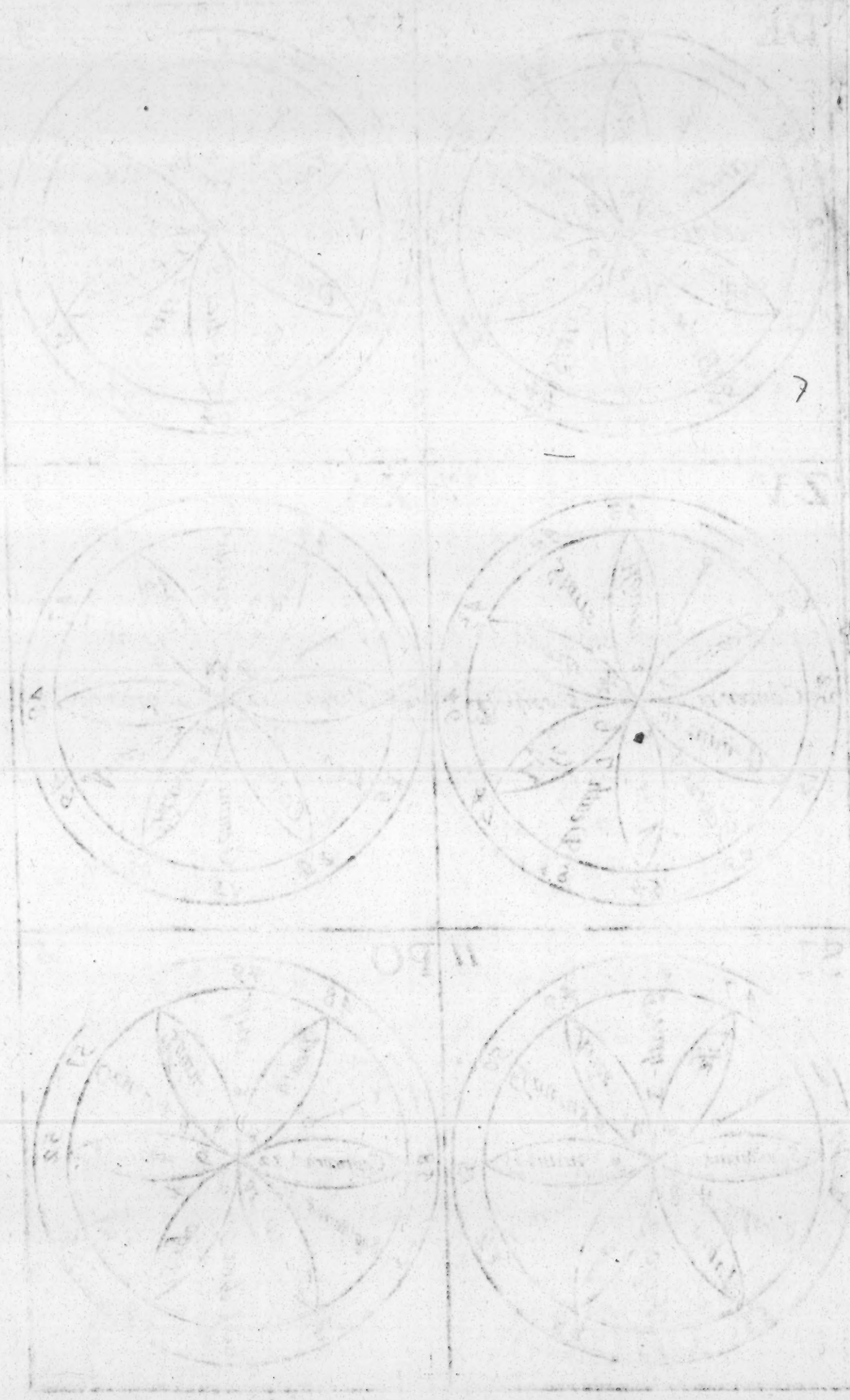


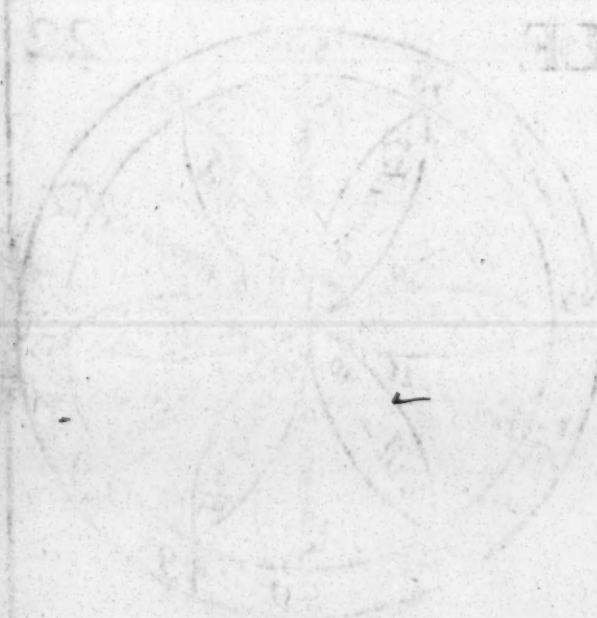
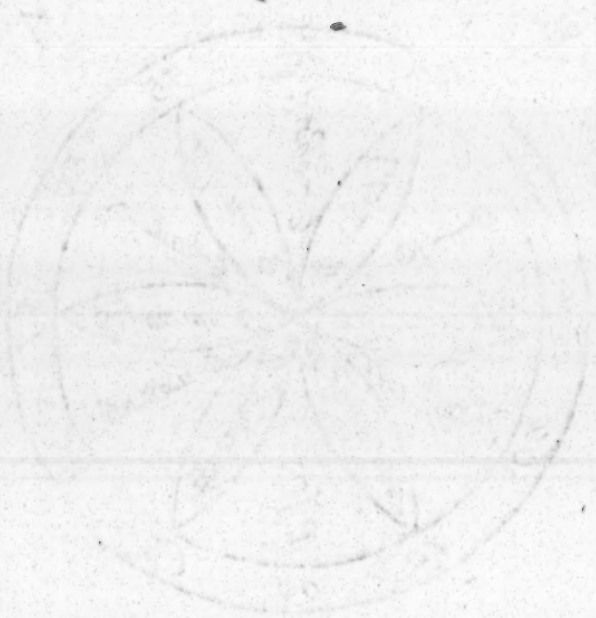
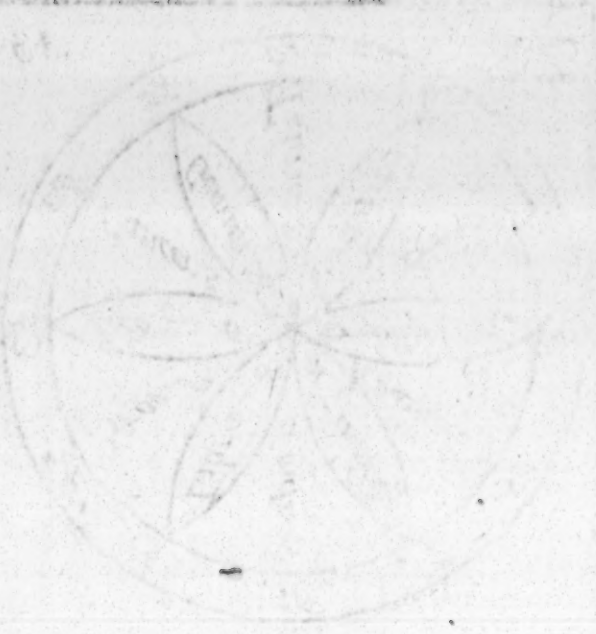
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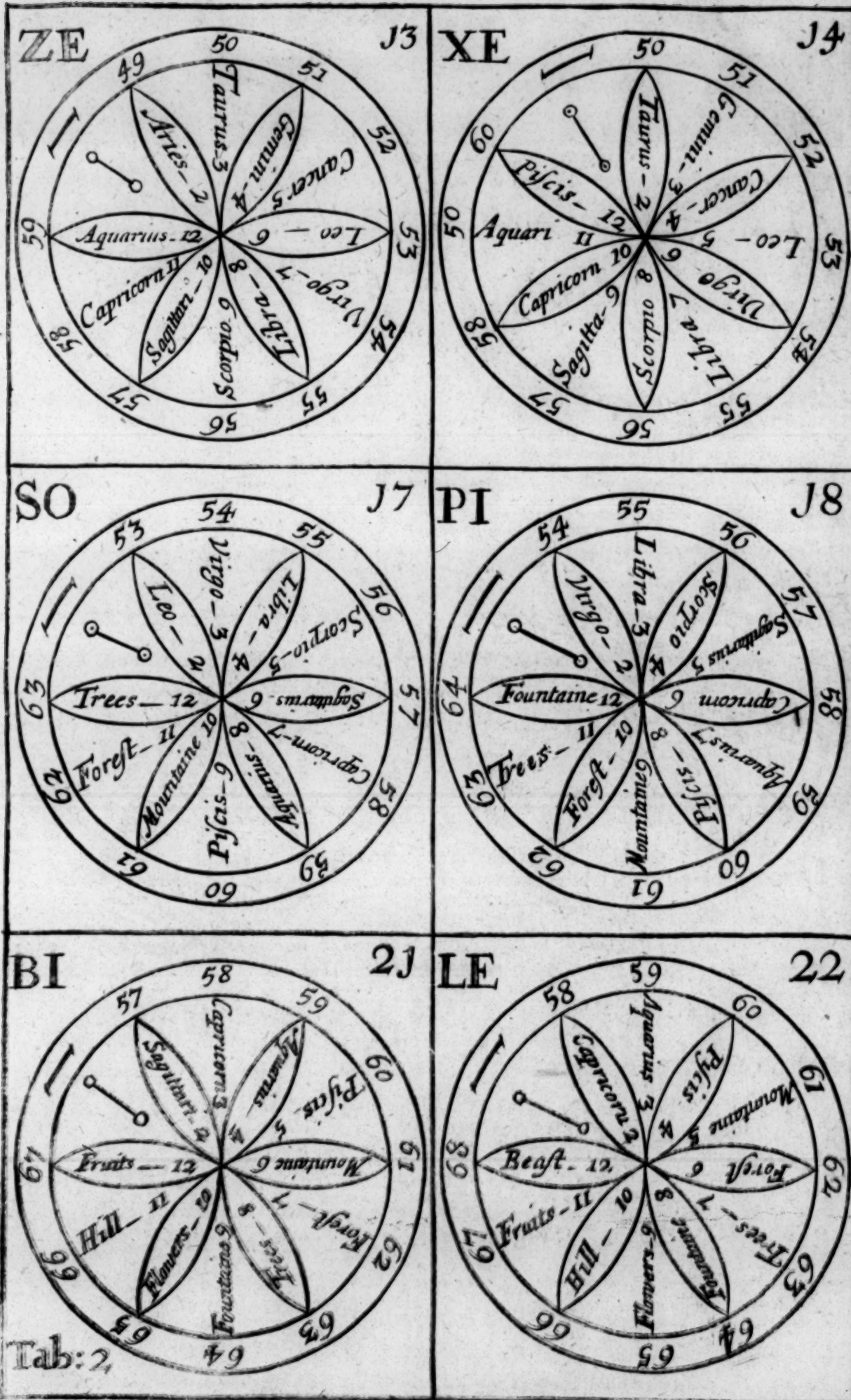


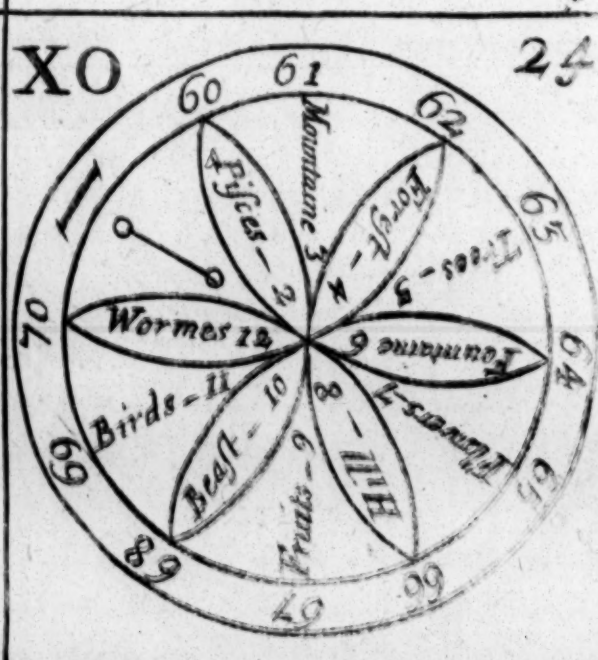
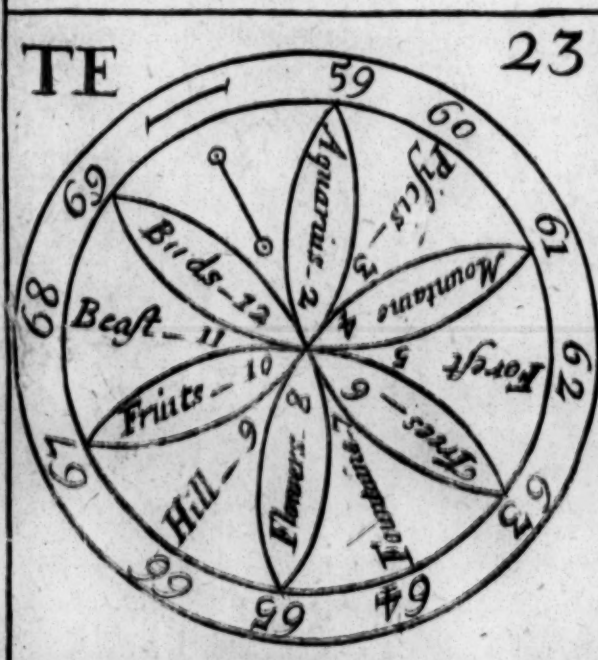
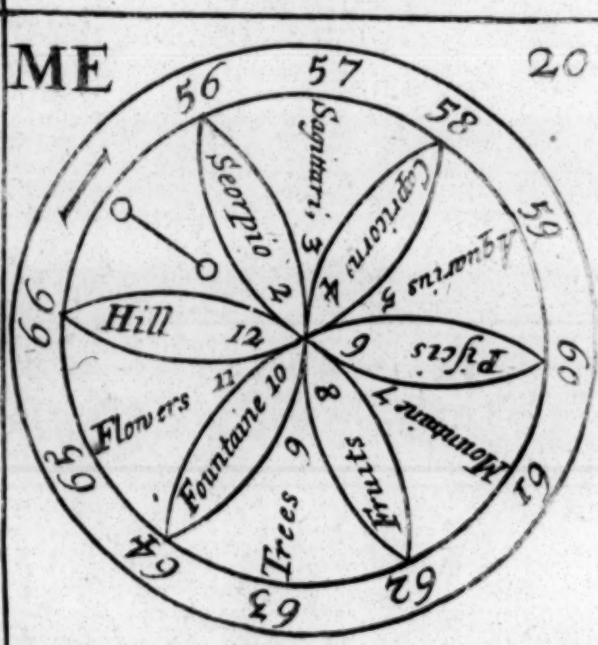
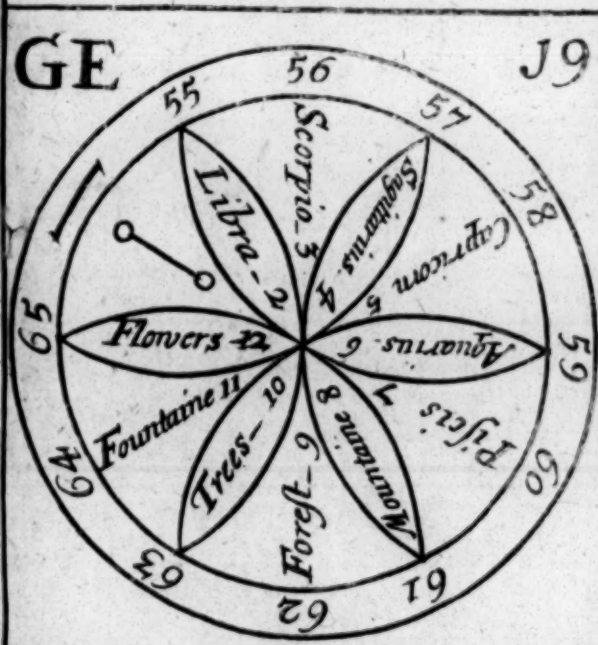
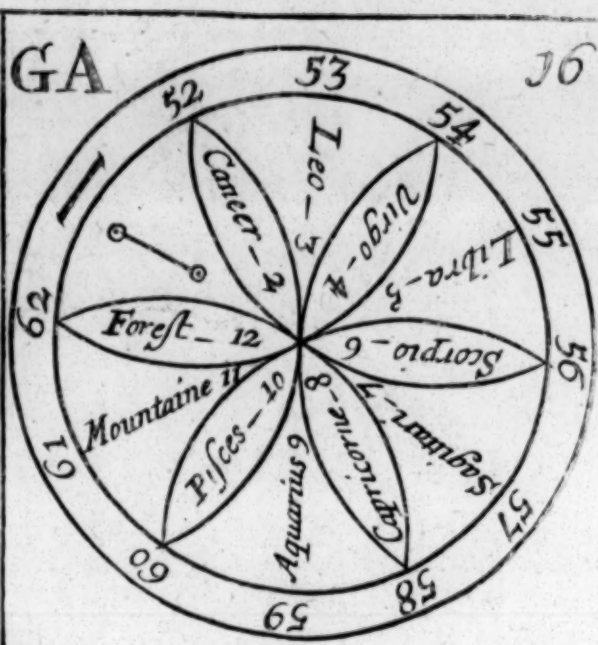
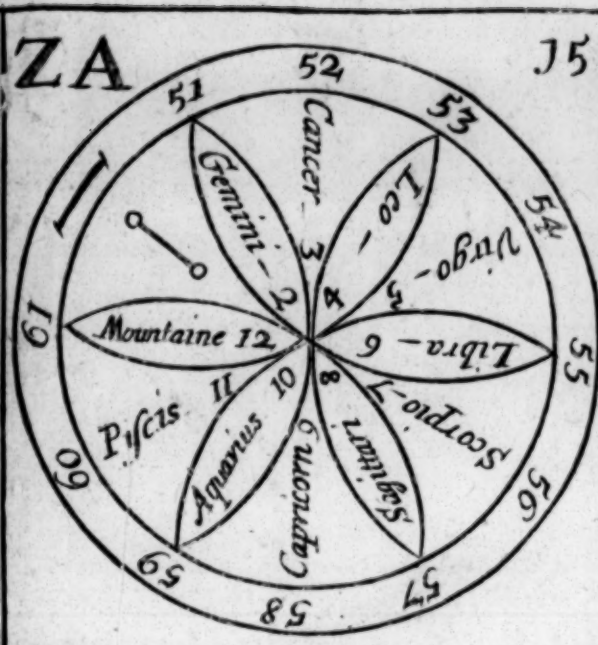
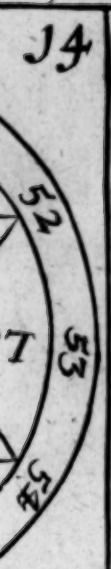
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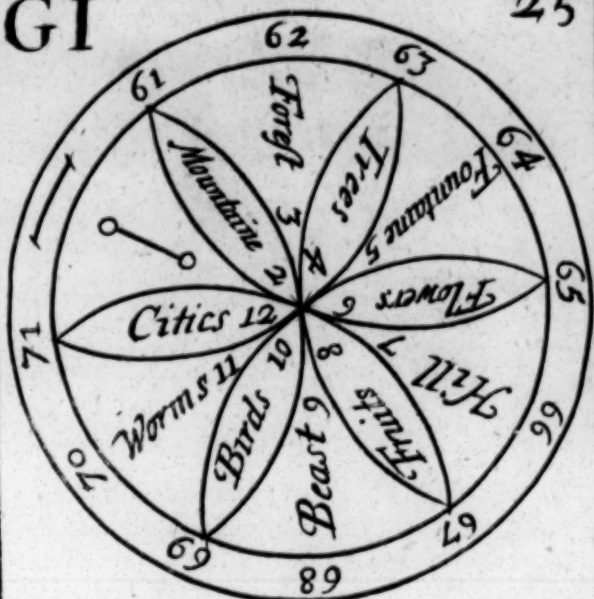






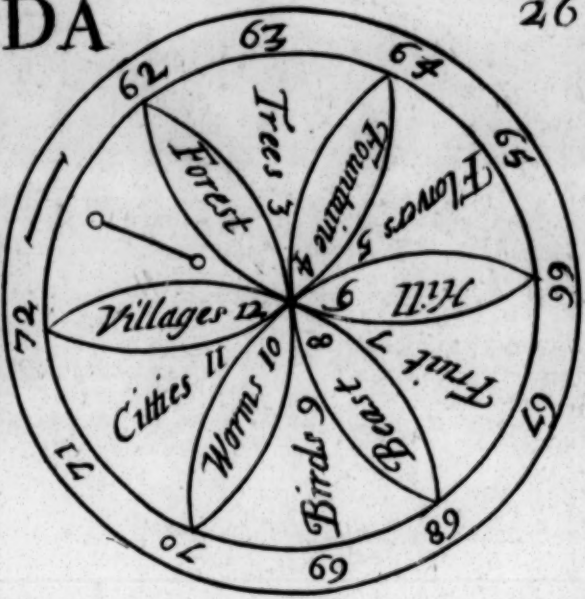
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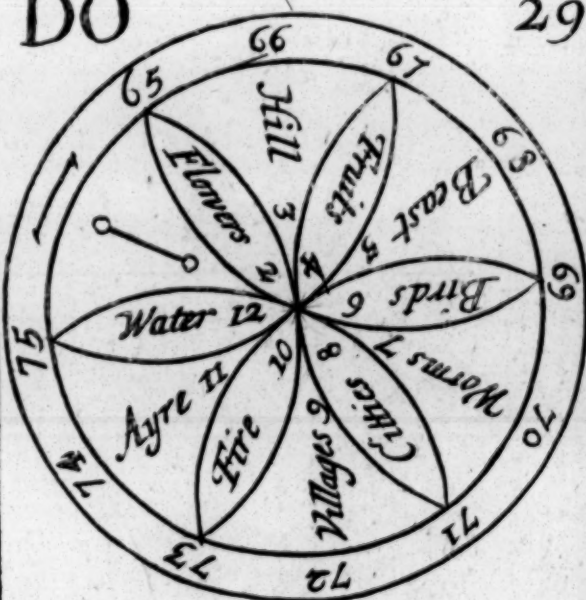
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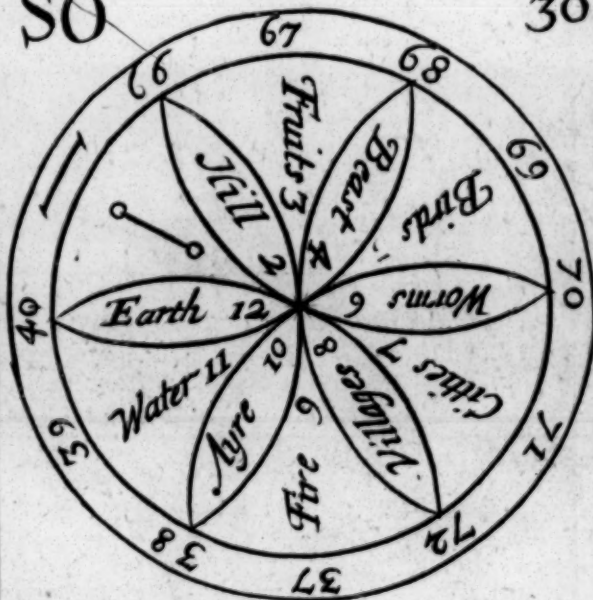
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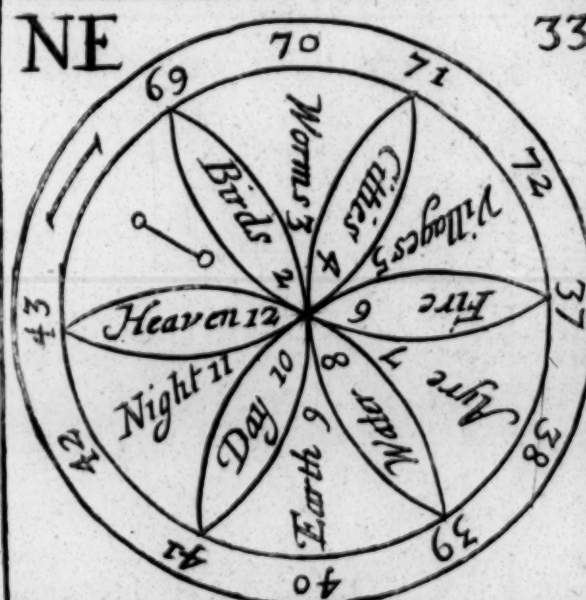
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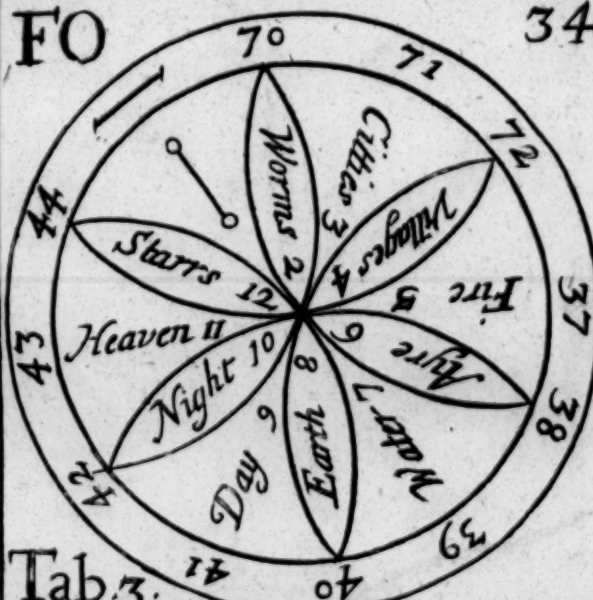
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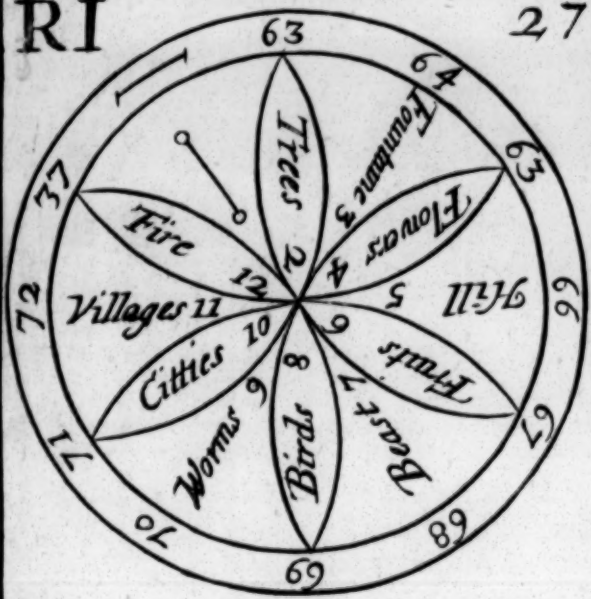
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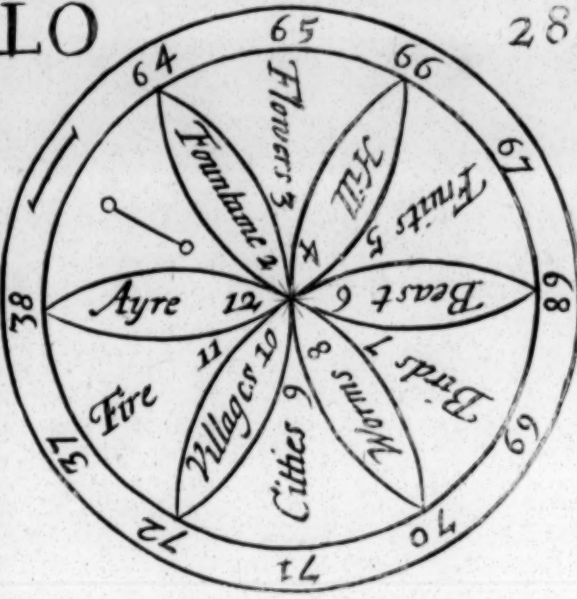
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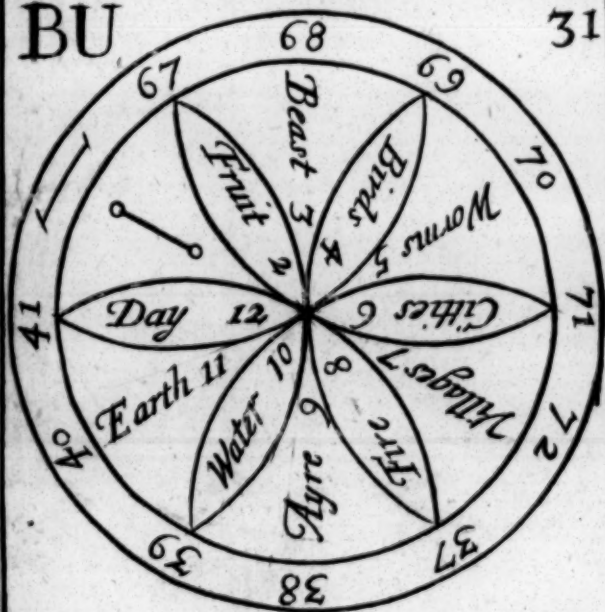
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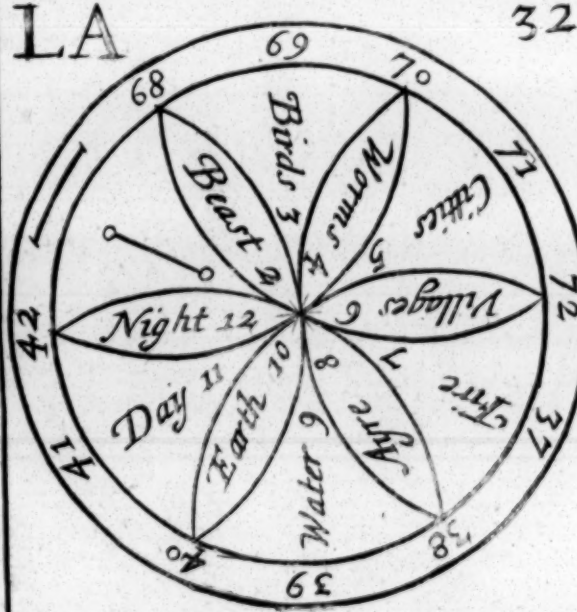
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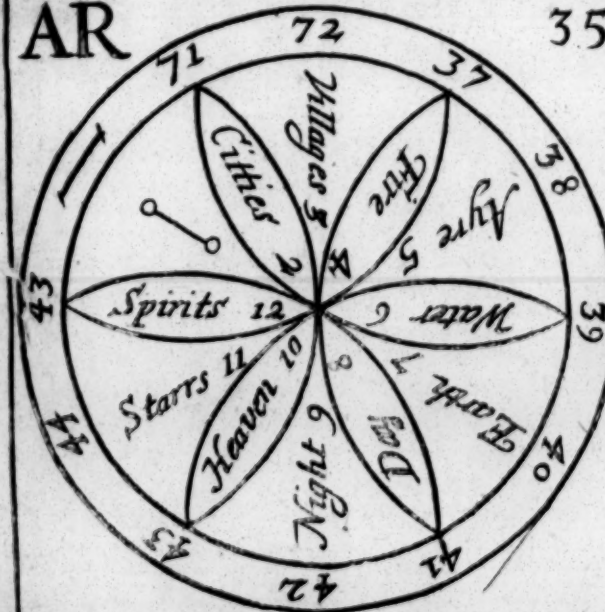
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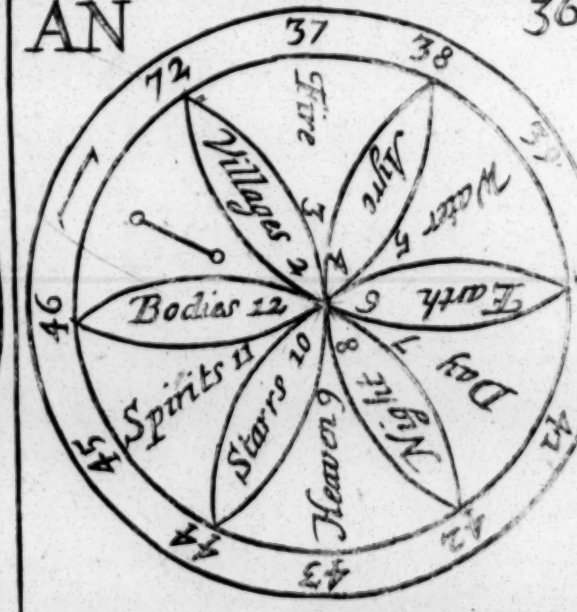
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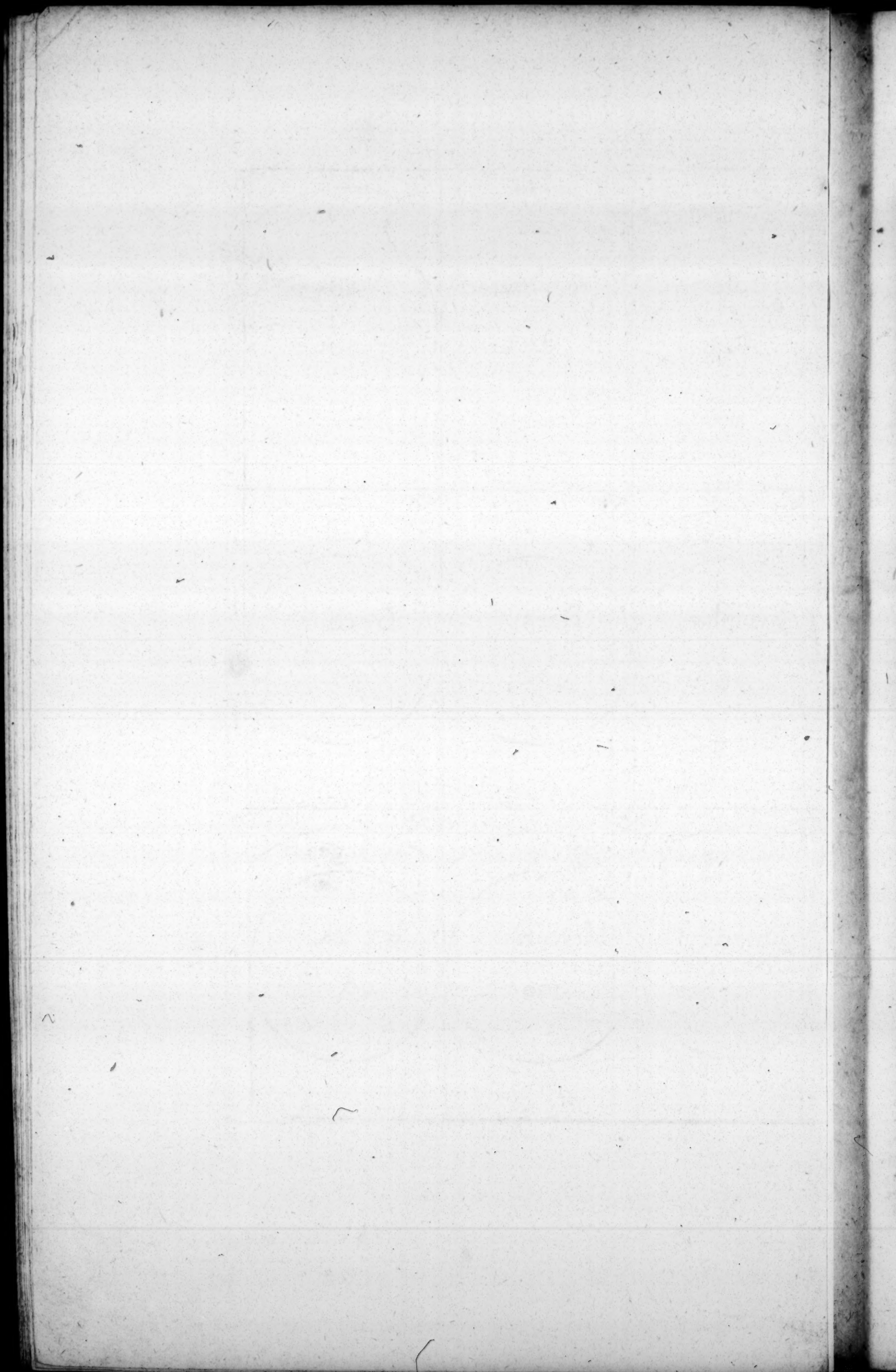
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1 **T**He Sick in danger great doth lye,
Of this same present Malady;
The former Health which now is fled,
Will hardly be recovered.

3 **O**F any thing which thou canst keep
To raise thy Fortunes, will be Sheep:
Thou canst not have a better thing,
Which will to thee more Profit bring.

4 **T**Ake heed, for if thy Secret be
Made known to Persons two or three,
It will no longer be conceal'd,
But unto many be reveal'd.

5 **T**O dye a Maid you need not fear,
For many Child en you shall bear;
'Tis three to one e're you be wed,
You will have lost your Maiden-head.

6 **T**Hou art to have, by Destiny,
Some store of Husbands e're thou dye,
By which you may assured be,
The first will never bury thee.

7 **A** Merry Man, and diligent,
According to thy Heart's content;
Will be to thee a Husband kind,
If thou canst get him in the mind.

8 **S**O many Suitors you have now,
That very well you do not know
Which amongst them for to take,
Nor who you should your Husband make.

9 **I**F that thou show thy self unkind,
When thou wouldst have him in thy mind,
His heart will be against thee set,
That thou no more his Love shall get.

10 **H**is Love is greater unto thee,
Than ever thine to him will be;
And if his Love should now decline,
The fault is none of his, but thine.

11 **Y**ou do not learned Men disdain,
But rather seek thereby to gain
Their Favours, or to be their Mate;
You do not bear them inward Hate.

12 **F**riend, to be short, and end the Strife,
Thou must and shalt have but one Wife;
Make much and cherish her therefore,
For when she's dead, thou get'st no more.

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Luna. 74.

2 **I**N this it seemeth unto me,
Nothing but very truth to be:
Then 'twere a shame for to deny
What Truth it self doth justifie.

3 **B**Y this time it may be justly prov'd,
Of many you are well belov'd;
For go into what place you will,
Your Company is welcome still.

4 **Y**OU need not for to stand in doubt,
This favour which you are about,
It will not only profit bring,
But Credit from the same shall spring,

5 **T**HIS Journey is not like to be
So prosperous in each degree,
See that thou keep all things in frame,
To shun the danger of the same.

6 **I**F that no hindrance by the way,
Doth cause this Person for to stay
He shortly will come back again,
In Health amongst you to remain.

7 **T**HE time is dangerous (indeed)
To some in whom Diseases breed,
And goeth very hard with such
As troubled are with Sickness much.

8 **A** Pidgeon-merchant right you are,
Your Wealth comes flying in from far:
Be sure that once a Month, at least,
Your Goods are like to be increast.

9 **I**F thou wouldst quiet live thou must
Not any of thy secrets trust
To Women, for they will by Kind,
Reveal what e're comes in their Mind.

10 **A** Many Children thou shalt have,
Which Death will hasten to the Grave;
For whether they be weak or strong,
Not any of them will live long.

11 **Y**OU are further like still to remain,
Before a Husband you shall gain:
Then of your Carriage have a care,
For fear least none fall to your share.

12 **I**F is allotted unto thee,
A Spend-thrift shall thy Husband be;
Then be thy Portion great or small,
Hide some, or else he'll spend it all.

Sol.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Sol. 75.

2 **G**o on thy way with merry cheer,
Thou need'st no danger for to fear,
For why, this Journey now by thee,
Shall happily performed be.

3 **T**his Person no long time will stay,
When once he is set on his way,
But will come quickly home, to tell
What in the way to him befel.

4 **T**he sick will linger long in pain,
Before that they be well again;
Yet very like they escape at last,
Though they recover not in haste.

5 **T**O Poultry thou shalt have good luck,
For both the Goose, the Hen and Duck,
Will all of them increase thy Store,
And keep thee up from growing poor.

6 **T**O a good Friend, I dare to say,
Thy Secret thou discover may,
And by the same may'st Comfort find,
To set at rest a troubled Mind.

7 **T**hou shalt have many Children, which
In thy Conceit, may make thee rich;
They will of good Conditions be,
And in thy Age will honour thee.

8 **Y**our Destiny is but to have
One Husband; for I do perceive,
Your Qualities to be so ill,
That when he dies none have you will.

9 **Y**our Husband will be very old,
Of Feature grim, and Nature cold;
With rotten Teeth and stinking Breath,
That you each Day will wish his death.

10 **S**he is a very faithless one,
For Vertue in her there is none;
Then take her not to be thy Wife,
For fear of breeding After-strife.

11 **Y**ou'll get him yet I'll undertake,
If 'twere but for your Beauty's sake:
Your Liberalities likewise,
The true Loves Knot more firmly ties.

12 **T**he truth it is, he loved thee
As Dogs and Cats use to agree:
But if he bite, before thou scratch,
There's no Love lost in such a Match.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Neptunus 76.

2 **T**His Party will not much rejoyce
To see thee, nor hear thy Voice;
For if your coming be to stay,
They'd rather wish you'd stay'd away.

3 **G**O forward in your Business,
In it you shall have good Success:
While Fortune now on thee doth smile,
Waste no time in the mean while.

4 **T**His Party I am confident,
Is come not for to have Content:
It is some other ways inclin'd,
As you by proof may after find.

5 **I** Boldly dear encourage thee,
Your Journey prosperous will be,
Which now you are about to go:
You need not fear, it shall be so.

6 **U**Nto the Sick that is not well,
This to their comfort I do tell,
They shall not linger long in Pain,
But shall recover soon again.

7 **I**F thou wouldst the Horse-courser play,
So that thou takes them Brown or Bay,
White Jades have many a scurvy Trick,
And Dapple-grey will bite and kick.

8 **Y**Our Secrets you disclose too much,
And do reveal them unto such
As you do take to be your Friends,
Which no such Love to you pretends.

9 **I**T's like you will have Children store,
Some of them Boys, but Girls the more;
Thus *Cupid's* School is more upheld,
Than Forces rais'd for *Mars* his Field.

10 **T**Hou shalt have but one Husband, which
Will live to be as Old as Rich;
And as he is to have long Life,
He will prove crabbed to his Wife.

11 **A** Merry young Man I well perceive
Unto thy Husband thou shalt have,
Therefore of him be not afraid,
Though's Teeth be longer than his Beard.

12 **I**F thou in Marriage dost proceed,
A brave and lusty Man (indeed)
Unto thy Husband thou wilt get,
The worst, perhaps he'll prove in Debt.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Hymenus. 77.

2 **T**His Counsel cannot be so good,
If rightly it be understood;
Then change it quickly if you can,
Learn some other of another Man.

3 **T**His Person meaneth you no Wrong,
Therefore see that you keep her long;
For it is a very hard thing to find
One that shall be so well inclin'd.

4 **Y**our Fortune will be very good,
For Fishing on the Ocean Flood,
Or if thou wilt a Fisher be,
The Water-Nymphs will smile on thee.

5 **T**His Person is both true and just,
In her thou well mayest put thy trust:
Her Dealings are upright and plain,
No Falshood in her doth remain.

6 **P**ut not thy Confidence in this,
All is not true that spoken is;
For when as time the Truth shall try,
'Tis doubtful this may prove a Lye.

7 **Y**ou are right welcome, I dare say,
If that too long you do not stay:
Therefore 'tis good for to make haste,
For fear your labour prove in waste.

8 **I**f you a good beginning make,
Of th' Business you undertake,
And that you go on forward still,
The end thereof will not be ill.

9 **T**he Danger it was very great,
This Journey unto you did threat:
'Tis good to learn how to prevent
The Harms may fall by accident.

10 **T**his Party who to travel's gone,
The way that he is bent upon,
When many weary steps is spent,
He'll hardly come home as he went.

11 **N**O doubt this Party of his Pain
Will in short time be well again;
Such Fits as these are incident
As Summer-agues are in Kent.

12 **I**N Horses traffick, fly and shun,
Lest that by them thou beest undone,
The Staggers and the Farcy will,
With Glanders many of them kill.

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Parca.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Parca. 78.

2 **T**His Child will very healthful be,
It many happy Days shall see;
And very like, before it dye,
Will raise itself to Honours high.

3 **T**He Husband is of no long life,
For he will dye before the Wife;
A Widow she'll not long remain,
But after married be again.

4 **I**T is a counsel good indeed,
Therefore to it do thou give heed,
And follow it, for thou shalt see,
No hurt thereby to thee will be.

5 **T**His Party loves thee very well,
There's no deceit in it doth dwell;
Its Heart is from all Falshood free,
No harm at all it wisheth thee.

6 **T**Hy luck is best in Fire and Mettels,
To melt and cast Bells, Pots and Kettles,
For therein lye they chiefeft Gains,
If thou wilt work and take such Pains.

7 **T**His Party is not good to trust,
For very like it is unjust,
Yet if thou dost, and chance to rue,
Say afterwards I told thee true.

8 **A**ll is not truth that now is spoke,
And if that lying would but choak
The Party which the same doth tell,
Lying would not be lov'd so well.

9 **T**Hy self alone shall welcome be,
So that thou bring'st no Guest with thee;
But if thou dost, I am afraid,
They'll wish you all away had staid.

10 **W**hat you are now propos'd about,
You need not so to stand in doubt;
But it will have a good Effect,
If you do not the same neglect.

11 **T**Hy Journey dangerous will be,
And most unhappy unto thee;
If in the same thou dost proceed,
It's good for thee to take great heed.

12 **H**E who to travel far is gone,
If Sicknes let him but alone,
And cross him not of his Intent,
He homeward now again is bent.

Jupiter.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Jupiter. 79.

2 **I**T is a very cunning Youth,
That seems to mean but little Truth;
Take heed lest he should you deceive,
And say that I you counsel give.

3 **A**ll is not spoken as it is,
According to the truth of this;
I'll sooner say it is a Lye,
Then stand the same to justifie,

4 **M**ost lovingly they will receive you,
But yet indeed they will not have you
There amongst them long to stay,
But wish you were soon gone away.

5 **I**f you be diligent in this,
Your labour will not go amiss;
Your Business shall have a good end,
And you no time in vain shall spend.

6 **T**his Journey very good will be,
And profitable unto thee,
Therefore go out with merry chear,
The truth of this thou needst not fear.

7 **T**his Person after he hath had
Great Damage and Misfortune (bad)
And thereby having great cause to mourn,
He home again will then return.

8 **T**his Party it will overcome
This Sicknes, yet, before the Tomb
Doth it within the Earth unfold,
It shall more Days in health behold.

9 **B**reeding of Hogs is such a thing,
As special luck will to you bring,
Wash, Bran, or Grains, they feed on all,
Or that which from your Wive's Backside doth fall.

10 **Y**ou may disclose your Business
Unto your Friend, but ne'rtheless,
It's good for you to take good heed,
But be sure he be your Friend indeed.

11 **T**hese Children I perceive are such
As will not put you very much
To trouble; therefore be content,
And think to you they are but lent.

12 **O**ne Husband you are like to have,
Who will content you I perceive;
He will so well for you provide,
That by him you'll be satisfied.

Eolus.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Eolus. 80.

2 **H**E who to travel now is gone,
There's very little hopes or none,
That e're he will come home again,
But will in absence still remain.

3 **A**lthough the Sick may seem to lye
In danger, yet it will not dye,
But will recover of its Pain,
And have their former Health again.

4 **A**ll sorts of wild Beasts unto thee
Will oftentimes most hurtful be;
Yet if thou wouldst those Dangers scape,
Do not so much as view an Ape.

5 **Y**our Secrets do not you disclose
To any, be they Friends or Foes;
Except that need doth say thou must,
I would not any of them trust.

6 **I** Can resolve thee that thy Charge
Of Children will not be too large:
For they shall be in number few,
Yet thou shalt have thy nightly Due.

7 **T**ake heed how you your Choice do make,
You have but one Husband to take;
Therefore see you have a care,
To get a good one to you share.

8 **A** Clownish Drunkard you must have
Unto your Husband, I perceive:
If that you will take care to Spin,
He'll every Night come reeling in.

9 **T**his Man is not so bad, I see,
As you imagine him to be:
Therefore you'd better with him marry,
Then worse to speed, and longer tarry.

10 **B**ecause you are two Grains too light,
Your Boldness puts him in a Fright:
Therefore he hath but little mind
To you that are that way inclin'd.

11 **H**E meanth truly for his part,
And loves too with all his Heart;
Therefore be constant to him still,
That bears to thee so much good will.

12 **Y**ou are most welcome, as 'tis thought,
'Mongst People that are base and nought,
Which never for their Living wrought,
Nor after any Goodness sought.

Castori.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Castor i. 81

2 **T**O tell you truly, and be plain,
You'll hardly get these things again:
Then whether they were stoln or lost,
Bid farewell so much as they cost.

3 **U**Nto this Child, I do perceive
It is ordained long Life to have:
And shall be rich before it dyes,
And also unto Honour rise.

4 **W**ould you have me to certifie
Which of the two the first shall die?
The Husband hath the shorter Life,
For he will dye before the Wife.

5 **T**His Counsel it is not so bad,
As you perhaps suppos'd it had;
For if you rightly do perceive it,
You'll take them for your Friend that gave it.

6 **T**His Party is not so good indeed,
Therefore I wish thee to take heed,
And have a care that thou no whit,
Do put thy Confidence in it.

7 **Y**ou have good Luck at such times, when
As you converie with honest Men,
And such as to the Church belong,
With thee it seldom happens wrong.

8 **I**T is not good to trust this Man
With any thing; for if he can
In private do thee any ill,
'Tis very like that so he will.

9 **I**T is not all the truth that's said,
Therefore if I might you perswade,
You should not trust the same; for why?
The greatest part thereof's a Lye.

10 **A**S thou shalt profitable be,
Thereafter they'll accept of thee;
But if thou nothing dost deserve,
They would not care though thou should'st starve.

11 **T**His is to let you understand
That you had better take in hand
Some other Work; for why? indeed
You'll hardly well in this proceed.

12 **T**His Journey you must do in vain,
It will be nothing to your Gain:
Yet thou perforce must be content,
Though thou return worse than thou went.

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ApoNo.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Apollo. 81

2 **T**His Person you need not to fear ;
He doth no Envy to you bear :
You may with such communicate,
For he to you doth bear no Hate.

3 **Y**ou shall have 'special luck in ground,
'Mongst Mines where Treasure most is found ;
In changing Money also, you
Thereby will find great Profit too.

4 **D**O not this Party trust ; for why ?
'Tis very false, I'll justifie ;
The best that doth from such proceed,
Doth nothing but Contention breed.

5 **S**ome that is spoken, I confess,
It may be true : but ne'retheless
'Tis good to try before you trust,
For all I cannot say is just.

6 **T**hou shalt be loved very well
Of those which near to thee do dwell,
And Strangers, when they thee do know,
Will bear good Will to thee also.

7 **I**F thou striv'st to be diligent,
And labour'st hard to give Content,
Thereafter thou shalt be regarded,
And for thy Labour be rewarded.

8 **I**N this same Journey, I advise
Thee for to be careful and wise ;
That thou the Dangers may'st prevent,
Which may fall out by Accident.

9 **T**his Party will not long time be
Away, for shortly you shall see
It happily return again,
Whose labour hath not been in vain.

10 **T**he danger of the Sick is such,
That it is to be feared much ;
It will not overcome this pain,
But dye before it mends again.

11 **Y**ou have good luck for to converse
With Priests, and if you can rehearse
How oft you sinn'd, I can resolve you,
He'll tell you that he can absolve you.

12 **I**T's good for thee I do suppose,
That thou should'st unto him disclose
The Business you are about,
It will be for the best, no doubt.

SATHT-

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Saturnus. 83.

2 **T**Here's 'special luck belongs to you,
With Marriage, and by Heirship too;
Thus shalt thou unto Riches rise,
Yet do not thou the Poor despise.

3 **T**His Party unto you doth bear
An honest mind, you need not fear;
It's meaning is upright and true,
In all respects towards you.

4 **S**omewhat is true, but yet not all,
Then let thy confidence be small,
Put not thy trust too much in this,
Nor seek for Truth where Falshood is.

5 **B**ecause you are so much inclin'd
To bear so wavering a Mind,
There is not any will respect you,
Nor for your Labours yet affect you.

6 **I**f that you do not understand
This Work, then do not take't in hand;
You'd better let it now alone,
Than wish too late you had done none.

7 **T**His Journey goeth well with thee
As thou would wish it for to be;
According to thy Heart's Desire,
What would'st thou any more require.

8 **T**His Person will come home at last,
When time a little more is past:
Her Body dangerously will swell,
Of that Disease herself will tell.

9 **D**espise not Physick, though there be
But small hopes of Recovery:
And little Hurts cause Sorrow much,
When greater are not cause of such.

10 **Y**ou may wade up in Wealth to th'Knees,
You have such luck to Ducks and Geese;
Which well will prosper and increase,
Keep but the Fox, and them at Peace.

11 **I**s good for thee to have a care,
And of this Person to beware;
Do not thy Secret with her trust,
For she to thee will prove unjust.

12 **T**Here is a certain number set,
How many Children thou shalt get:
Two is the most that they will be,
Thou'rt never like to make them three.

Gratia.

The Dutch Fortune-teller.

Gratia. 84.

2 **B** Etwixt the Husband and the Wife,
The Female hath the longer Life:
But afterwards, when he is dead,
She'll be too old again to wed.

3 **F**ollow this Counfel, for I fee,
It will be very good for thee:
Therefore I hold thee much to blame,
If that thou dost not take the same.

3 **T**His Party meaneth thee no Ill,
Therefore accept of that good will,
Which it to thee doth seem to bear,
No harm thereby thou need'st to fear.

5 **I**n hunting you have 'special luck;
For hardly either Hare or Buck
Will ever 'scape your Dog or you,
Sometimes beware the Conies too.

6 **T**O doubt this Man thou hast no need,
For he right constant is indeed;
In him thou well may'st put thy trust,
His meaning towards thee is just.

7 **I**n this you may yourselves perswade,
Much of it's very true that's said:
Those that are speakers of the same,
They need not with the truth to shame.

8 **Y**'Are very welcome, if something
That's good along with you you bring:
But if you chance to come without,
So welcome you'll not be I doubt.

9 **I** Would have you to understand,
The Work which you have took in hand,
The Effect thereof will be but small,
It will not finisht be at all.

10 **Y**our Journey a good end will have,
As you yourself would wish or crave:
It happily shall finisht be,
As you would it desire to see.

11 **T**He Person that to travel's gone,
When he'll return it is unknown:
To look for him, ye time but waste,
He will not come again in haste.

12 **B**E patient, though thou art not well,
For this same sickness, I can tell,
It will not very long endure,
Before that time shall work thy Cure.

Pollux

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Pollux. 85.

2 **T**Hou shalt live to be very old,
And many happy days behold :
Thou quickly wilt be rich likewise,
And also unto honour rise.

3 **A**LL toil and labour is but vain,
For you will get nothing again :
You had as good let all alone,
As strive in vain for that is gone.

4 **G**ood understanding it will have,
But no long life I do perceive ;
Therefore, I say, if you be wise,
Make much of it, before it dies.

5 **W**Hat would you know assuredly
Which of the two the first should die ?
To tell you plain, and end all strife,
The Husband lives to bury his Wife.

6 **T**His counsel it may well be guest,
For thee it will not prove the best :
Therefore 'tis better thou refuse it,
Than to repent if once thou use it.

7 **T**His party it doth wish you well,
And therefore this I can you tell,
It is not any way unjust,
But you in it may put your trust.

8 **Y**ou have good luck with Merchandize,
In all sorts of Arts likewise :
What e'er thou tak'st in Hand or tries,
Thy profit from the same will rise.

9 **T**His person is a cunning one ;
If hurt by her thou would'st have none,
Then do not trust her, though you know her,
No farther than thou canst well throw her.

10 **S**omething is true the which is said,
But yet I would no farther wade
To justify, except I knew
That all the rest besides was true.

11 **G**O on, you need not for to fear
But that you shall be welcome there ;
And thou some kindness wilt perceive,
If well thy self thou dost behave.

12 **T**hy purpose nothing forward goes,
But backwards, as I do suppose ;
Thy time about it thou may'st spend,
But hardly bring it to an end.

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Plato.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Pluto. 86.

2 **Y**ou're long about this Work, I see;
Except you could more quicker be,
I would have you to understand
You get but little by the hand.

3 **T**his Journey it doth threaten thee,
As if it would much hurtfull be:
Therefore 'tis good thou should'st take heed,
If to the end thou should'st proceed.

4 **N**ot like to one that looketh sad,
Nor any cause of mourning had,
This Person shall return again,
But in a very pleasant Vein.

5 **T**he Sick shall not endure long pain,
But quickly shall be well again:
Therefore I say be of good cheer,
Death at this time you need not fear.

6 **I**f Oxen thou dost buy or sell,
Th' art like to raise thy Fortunes well:
Thy careful Wife, I'm sure, she scorns
That thou should'st fall for want of Horns.

7 **I**f you of Help stand in no need,
But in all things do well proceed;
Yet be you silent, for you may
Have need of Help another Day.

8 **I**f our Conjecture rightly fall,
Be ye confident in this, you shall
Have lesser store of Girls than Boys,
Which may the more encrease your Joys.

9 **Y**ou shall two Husbands have, fair Maid;
Chear up your Heart, be not afraid:
But this observe above the rest,
That of the two the last is best.

10 **W**hen you in Love go thorowstitch,
Indeed your Husband shall be rich:
Yet Fortune thus your Joys allays,
With him you shall see no good Days.

11 **I** Prithce, Maiden, have a care,
And seek in time to shun the Snare;
His Love seems true by th' outward part,
But there's great odds 'twixt Tongue and Heart.

12 **B**E Circumspect, I thee advise,
And of my Counsel highly prize;
For thou art like (by Nature's course)
To have Misfortune by a Horse.

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Venus.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Venus. 87.

2 **W**hen thou hast past thy Worldly Cares,
Then on thy Bed with fervent Prayers,
Everlasting Peace, for fading Strife,
Thou shalt exchange, and end thy Life.

3 **N**or short nor long thy Life shall be,
For thus the Fates do promise thee;
Sometimes in Joy, sometimes in Pain,
Thou shalt to a middle Age attain.

4 **F**ear not, my Friend, be patient yet,
And do not madly foam nor fret;
For he who took the things away,
Will his own self himself betray.

5 **T**his bashful Child is born to good,
By Blushing it shews graceful Blood;
And in this World it shall so thrive,
That to great Credit 'twill arrive.

6 **T**hink on no second Marriage-Bed,
Your Husband is already dead;
Prepare your self, for you his Wife,
Shall quickly after leave this Life.

7 **T**his Counsel is not worth a Fly,
'Tis full of Childish Foppery;
Therefore be Careful if thou can,
Seek Counsel of a prudent Man.

8 **H**e loves you well, be sure of that,
If you despise not, you know what:
And I by Rules have understood,
That 'tis firm Love, and very good.

9 **N**ow be you careful every way,
Take time of Thriving while you may:
Believe, and take this Truth from me,
Your Luck's in Farms and Husbandry.

10 **B**E not deceived over soon,
For fear you judge beyond the Moon;
But for a Truth thus much thou learnest,
The Party means well in good earnest.

11 **U**pon Reports some Doubts ensue,
Whether the thing be false or true;
But in this matter you are freed;
What hath been said is true indeed.

12 **T**ush! never fear, for you e'er long
Shall gain your Wishes by your Tongue;
Your Words proceed from such deep sense,
They'll have you for your Eloquence.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Tyresias. 88.

2 **B**E careful to avoid debate,
For of this Dream I calculate,
That it doth rightly signifie,
Some inbred hate and enmity.

3 **T**Hou may'st in this life have good days,
But be advis'd in all thy ways,
For I am doubtful (my good friend)
Thou wilt not make a happy end.

4 **A** Happy and auspicious Lot
Is thine, if thou prevent it not:
Long shalt thou live (mark what I tell)
And every one shall love thee well.

5 **F**riend, in this case I do desire
Ye be diligent, and make enquire;
And through your wisdom and your care,
You'll get't again e'er you're aware.

6 **T**His Child is lusty, stout, and strong,
And very likely to live long:
If Nature do her promise hold,
He'll live till he be very old.

7 **B**E sure of this, and do not doubt,
We all must die, though ne'er so stout,
And thus I probably surmise,
The Wife before the Husband dies.

8 **S**Tand not consulting, but make haste,
Wrong not your self, the time's soon past,
The Counsel's very good indeed,
If it be followed with speed.

9 **B**E wise; for if you take not care,
You'll be entangl'd in a Snare:
This Man, as Fowlers watch for Birds,
Doth wait to catch you in your Words.

10 **I**F you be wise you may attain
Unto good store of worldly gain,
From several Projects you may draw
Much Wealth, and from Affairs o'th' Law.

11 **T**His party meaneth well at the first,
And seems all good, but here's the worst:
He is not constant in's intent,
But falls from what at first he meant.

12 **B**E not too credulous, my Friend,
Lest thou repent it in the end:
Thus much my counsel may perswade,
All is not true that hath been said.

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The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Hercules 89.

2 **B**E confident in this, do not
Mistrust what's written here, each jot :
What do you think it verity,
'Twill come to pass immediately.

3 **D**reams are but Fables, as 'tis said,
Yet from some Dreams is Truth bewray'd :
But now I'll speak i'th' vulgar Sense,
This Dream is of no consequence.

4 **A** Happy Life like end begets,
And when your Sun of Nature sets,
Having done good (while you had breath)
Full many will lament your Death.

5 **B**E not dismay'd, nor take affright,
Although your Fortune be not slight :
Live honestly, and do not wrong,
For certainly you'll live not long.

6 **H**ere may some difficulty arise,
Yet be content, let this suffice,
If the things be not gone too far,
You'll have them all just as they are.

7 **L**et not the Parents their hearts break
With grief; for though the child be weak,
'Twill prove a pretty prattling Ape,
And many SicknesSES escape.

8 **'T**is probable what here you find,
Such Chance blind Fortune hath assign'd :
The Shirt is weaker than the Smock,
And this Hen will outlive her Cock.

9 **T**hough this Advice perhaps may serve,
Yet lest thou should'st from Wisdom swerve,
As others Counsel what they say,
If one wont serve another may.

10 **Y**ou may perchance mistrust the Party,
And think all Sayings are not hearty :
But learn by me to censure duly,
The Party meaneth just and truly.

11 **A**uspicious Luck you may expect,
If you your Courses well direct :
The Conversation of great Lords,
To you no little Gain affords.

12 **I**t is a Saying worth the Learning,
Take heed in all things is fair Warning.
If this be true (as 'tis indeed)
Then of this Party take great heed.

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Serpentina

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Serpentina, or Proserpina. 90.

1 **B**E careful how thou chuse a Wife;
Who e'er thou tak'st, lasts all thy life,
Then chuse one good (what e'er befall)
For thou shalt have but one in all.

3 **A** Las! poor Man, I pity thee;
But now 'tis grown past remedy:
Thou art so far enamour'd on her,
That now thou hast no way to shun her.

4 **I**'M sorry for thee, honest Lad;
For thou shalt have one very bad:
Nor Scold, nor Whore, but one far worse,
A Quean that will drink dry thy purse.

5 **W**ould'st thou be wed? I know thou would'st,
But it is requisite thou should'st
First know her. Ponder my conceit;
Perhaps she's not each way compleat.

6 **T**Hough she be coy, do not despair:
She loves thee well, take thou no care:
But yet she hath a mind to see
Whether that thou wilt constant be.

7 **Y**our Gesture being rude and ill,
Like will to like, believe it still;
And you'll to none so welcome be,
As to Venereal Company.

8 **B**E circumspect this day (my Friend)
If to your self you good intend:
For sure it may be understood
That he intendeth you no good.

9 **H**ere is Preferment proffer'd you,
But give me leave to say what's true:
You being one that's a bad shaver,
May be preferr'd by Womens favour.

10 **F**riend, have a care, and wisely shun
The danger whereto thou may'st run;
If thou dost not heedfully
Look unto this company.

11 **Y**ou may obtain the business well,
If you take notice what I tell,
If you do rightly go about it,
Or else y'are like to go without it.

12 **Y**ou think upon a thing which yet
It is not possible to get:
Therefore do not your self beguile,
For 'twill not be as yet awhile.

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Ceres.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Ceres. 91.

2 **B**E wife (Sweetheart) do what you can
To win his Love ; he's a brave Man,
And if you do go thorowstitch,
(Between you) you'll grow very rich.

3 **H**E is a youngman very fresh,
And see's y^e are given to the flesh ;
Therefore he hath no mind to you ;
Do not deny't ; for this is true.

4 **S**weetheart, if you would win his mind,
You must not coily seem unkind :
You are to him so Maiden-like,
That *Cupid* hath no will to strike.

5 **Y**oungmen will not accept you much,
Your Condition it is such :
Yet here's a help for you agen ;
You shall be welcome to old Men.

6 **B**E not too hasty yet to marry,
Let me advise thee still to tarry :
When e'er thou wedd'st, thou'lt live in Strife,
Then keep thy self without a Wife.

7 **G**O on, and prosper with success
In Marriage ; if you do possess
Each other, this believe for certain,
You shall attain to happy Fortune.

8 **T**Hou needst not care, though long thou stay,
Thy Wedding is no happy day :
A prattling Gossip thou shalt wed,
When once thou with a Wife art sped.

9 **T**Hou canst insinuate very well,
And in her favour hop'st to dwell,
But yet my Friend, I tell thee plain,
That all thy labour is in vain.

10 **T**is pity Love should not Love win,
And pity 'tis you did begin
To wooe this Lass, for this is true,
You love not her as she loves you.

11 **T**Hou art so proud and insolent,
Thou wilt no Company frequent :
Therefore this is thy just reward,
That no body doth thee regard.

12 **B**E careful, and mark what I say,
Have special mind upon this day,
Lest you your Negligence do rue,
For this day bodes no good to you.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Jason 92.

2 **G**reat pity 'tis that Natures Art,
Hath done so much upon her part,
To make thee fruitful ; for 'twill prove
Thou'lt have more Children than thou'lt
love.

3 **F**ear not Sweetheart, all shall go well,
You never shall lead Apes in Hell :
For you of Husbands shall have store,
Three at the least, it may be more.

4 **D**amsel, applaud thy happy Fate,
For thou shalt wed a happy Mate :
Thus much of him I do presage,
He will be thrifty in's best age.

5 **B**E not afraid of him, Sweetheart,
For 'tis not fit, you two should part :
Marry him once, and you shall see
What a happy Match 'twill be.

6 **T**hou think'st this Man doth hate thee much,
Be sorry that thy thought is such :
For he no malice bears to thee ;
Make tryal on't, and thou shalt see.

7 **S**trive not against the stream of Love,
Nor take more pains than doth behove ;
For I must tell thee, hopes are small,
Nay more, it will not be at all.

8 **B**oth young and old do thee respect,
Thy Company all do affect,
By reason of thy Modesty :
Continue that until thou die.

9 **W**idower, mark these certain Words,
Another Wife thy Fate affords :
But you shall never well agree,
By reason of her Jealousie.

10 **T**hy self a Pot-Companion art,
And wantest one to take thy part :
A drunken Wife then thou shalt have,
A drunken Quean t'a drunken Knave.

11 **S**he whom thou tak'st for better, for worse,
Is handsome, but she'll strain thy purse :
She's seeming holy, and demure,
Then keep her tenderly, be sure.

12 **T**his Fortune seems preposterous,
And yet (in truth) 'tis certain thus :
Tho' she's enamour'd much on thee,
Thou ne'er shalt have her, tak't from me.

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Fortuna

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Fortuna. 93.

2 **W**Er't not for hope the heart would break,
This (by experience) we may speak,
For th' hope to th' company is much,
But the profit is nothing such.

3 **Y**ou to your wishes may arrive,
If diligently you do strive:
But let me tell you this withal,
Your honey will be mixt with gall.

4 **D**o not despair, nor yet presume,
For it may, and it may not come,
Your expectation short will fall;
'Twill partly happen, but not all.

5 **P**repare your self to entertain
A Guest, whom (I must tell you plain)
You did not look this day to see:
When't comes to pass remember me.

6 **L**ook to your best life: as for this,
In it you shall have earthly blifs:
You'll die through thrift, and good behaviour,
With riches, and all peoples favour.

7 **A** Happy life I do presage;
For you shall live unto old age:
Great honour for you is allow'd,
And quickly too, yet be not proud.

8 **E**ither the things that you have lost,
Shall come again to you in post,
Or if you don't them soon obtain,
Vex not, for they'll ne'er come again.

9 **L**et not the Parents take to heart,
If from their Child they soon depart,
For I can shew you Reasons strong,
To prove this Child cannot live long.

10 **L**ook for no second Marriage-bed,
(Good Wife) your destiny is read:
Chuse you whether you'll laugh or cry,
You must before your Husband dye.

11 **H**earken not to that advice,
If of thy welfare thou be nice:
For when 'tis rightly understood,
Thou'lt find thy counsel is not good.

12 **B**E not mistrustful, for the party
(With affection true and hearty)
Loveth you more dear than any,
Though there's proffer'd choice of many.

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Bacchus.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Bacchus. 94.

2 **I**N your own power it doth lye,
To work the thing effectually;
For your Consent once being won,
The Bus'ness is already done.

3 **'T**Is true, he loves you as the rest,
But knows not which he liketh best.
For he hath choice; to every one
He pretends Love, but well loves none.

4 **T**O People that can talk and prattle,
And (Gossip like) love twittle twattle,
To raw young Wits, and such as these,
Your Company's Good, none else 'twill please.

5 **O**Ne Wife will not bring you to th' Grave,
For many Wives y'are like to have:
Be careful then, look to your self,
And mix some Love with worldly Pelf.

6 **Y**ou are a downright dealing Man,
That neither cog nor flatter can:
Therefore I tell you (to be short)
You are not fit to live at th' Court.

7 **S**he will both handsome be, and rich,
Therefore she'll seek to wear the britch,
For she's by nature very proud,
To Wealth and Beauty that's allow'd.

8 **P**erhaps you might with her bear sway,
But that a block lies in the way:
She Drunkards hates; you being one,
Must let the Pot, or her alone.

9 **A**S yet the enmity is not
So strong, but it may be forgot:
But 'twill grow greater, if it be
Not stopt in time: make haste, agree.

10 **Y**our wisdom and good parts approv'd,
Makes you be very well belov'd
Of th' Clergy, and all virtuous Men:
Scarce such a Man is found 'mongst ten.

11 **Y**our Warning's short; you shall not need
Much patience: to speak Truth indeed,
Thus 'tis observ'd (mark what I say)
You shall see what you love this day.

12 **T**hy brave Heroick honest Deeds
Have in Fames Garden sown such seeds,
That thou shalt soon preferred be,
And all thy Friends shall joy in thee.

Medea.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Medea. 95.

2 **N**E'er think of change (Sweetheart) for you
Shall have but one, I tell you true :
But such a Husband he shall prove ;
That you will live and die in Love.

3 **I**N troth, the Fates do on thee frown ;
For thou shalt have a churlish Clown :
I'll nothing say, thee to provoke,
But in foul Weather wear thy Cloak.

4 **T**Hy Fortune's good, I prove it can,
For thou an understanding Man
Shalt have ; and one, with whom always,
Thou may'st live quiet all thy days.

5 **B**E of good chear, do not despair,
Although she seemeth not to care
For thee at all, yet do not doubt,
Old Fire will not be soon put out.

6 **T**Hou lovest him (Sweetheart) I guess,
And on his part I'll say no less :
You two are likely to agree :
Thou lovest him, and he loves thee.

7 **A**Las, good Man, thy Case I moan,
For thou art ty'd to such a one,
That doth not love thee as she should,
I'll say no more, for fear she scold.

8 **B**E thou contented, honest Lad ;
Chuse a good Wife, if to be had ;
For one is all th' art like to marry,
And she till death with thee shall tarry.

9 **M**Ake haste (my Friend) do not delay,
But marry, and carry her away :
For she's a Huswife every inch,
Besides, she is a jealous Wench.

10 **Y**Our choice is good, for she is such,
That speaks enough, but not too much :
Indeed, she's a well-spoken Woman,
With Qualities that are not common.

11 **I**F you do conclude this Match,
Whensoever you dispatch,
You shall wed, mark what I say,
And upon a Holy-day.

12 **M**Ake much of her, and love her dear,
Her love to thee thou needst not fear ;
For she is constant unto thee,
And so she will for ever be.

Tityrus.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Tiyras. 96.

2 **Y**ou may (my friend) for ought I see,
A Farrier or Horse-courser be:
For thus your Fortune doth ordain,
By Horse-flesh you shall get much gain.

3 **B**e rul'd by this advice, I give,
And still observe this, while you live:
Keep your secrets from a Punk,
And from a man that will be drunk.

4 **D**ivers Children thou mayst have,
Which will soon go to the grave:
But the Fates have thus contriv'd,
Only one Son shall be long liv'd.

5 **C**hildren you are like t' have none,
For you must have only one;
And that one will be so bad,
Him you'll wish you'd never had.

6 **B**e thou happy in thy choice,
Thou good cause hast to rejoyce:
For a young Man true and kind,
To thy Husband thou shalt find.

7 **B**e not griev'd to lose his love,
For if thou the truth couldst prove,
Thou wouldst never with him link:
He is worse than thou dost think.

8 **S**weetheart, set thy thoughts at rest,
Time will work all for the best:
Thou shalt have him, I dare say,
But thou yet awhile must stay.

9 **D**oubt him not, for he is just;
He rather wooes for Love than Lust:
Thou of this mayst certain be,
He bears a constant Love to thee.

10 **L**ove requires Love (by Reasons Law)
One kindness doth another draw:
And you in spite of Fortunes blindness,
Shall be accepted for your kindness.

11 **T**hou shalt good utterance have with Wives,
Three with thee shall lead their lives:
And thus from me resolve thy self,
The third of them will bring most pelf.

12 **S**he is jealous of another,
Therefore love her (honest Brother)
She will to no good be won,
To speak plain, 'twill not be done.

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Diana.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Diana. 97.

2 **P**roceed and prosper : your Design
Will come to pass as I divine ;
And before much time expire,
You shall accomplish your desire.

3 **T**hou art much deceiv'd (my Friend)
If thou any credit lend
To thy Thoughts ; full well I see,
What thou think'st, will never be.

4 **T**his Dream (as probably I guess)
Signifies solitariness :
Then be so merry, as you may,
And drive all dumpish thoughts away.

5 **A** Sweet presage your Fortune lends,
(That which I wish to all my Friends)
A laudable end you'll make at last ;
Which Scene to act, let all forecast.

6 **Y**our Life you'll pass in joy and health,
Joined with store of worldly pelf :
Then do not forget to render
Hearty Thanks unto the sender.

7 **T**he things you lost, seem to forget ;
For Destiny hath laid a Net ;
And you (devoid of further care)
Shall have them e'er you be aware.

8 **B**E of good comfort, Mother mild,
Or you, the Father of this Child,
For it is lusty, sound and strong,
And therefore likely to live long.

9 **B**E patient, Honest Woman, and
Thy Husband's death's grief well withstand :
For Death of him will make a slaughter,
And thou must look to die soon after.

10 **I**F thou be wise, this Counsel take,
And of the same good profit make :
For it is good, do not dispute,
But with all speed it execute.

11 **C**onfide not on this Party : for
His tongue and thoughts do not concur :
Where one thing's spoke, another's thought,
You needs must miss the Mirth you sought.

12 **B**E thou a Soldier howsoever ;
For thou shalt prosper, never fear :
In War against thine Enemy,
Thou shalt come off Victoriously.

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Nymphae.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Nympha. 98.

2 **B**E not deceiv'd (my Friend) for you
Expect great welcome to ensue :
But you shall find that Friends will shrink ,
You'll not be welcome as you think.

3 **I**Dare say (my Lad) that thou
Fain wou'dst match thou car'st not how :
Whether it be to peace or strife,
Thou wou'dst gladly get a Wife.

4 **Y**Es, have her, if thou wilt, but know
E'er about the Match thou go,
Thou canst live no quiet Life :
For she will be a jealous Wife.

5 **I**F for shape and pulchritude
Thou dost seek, I thus conclude :
Thou shalt have a handsome Girl,
With Beauty fit to please an Earl.

6 **I**F thou dost expect to have her
For the purchase of her Favour,
There's requir'd much cost and pains,
First sit down and cast the gains.

7 **T**is true indeed, there's now great kindness,
But there is in Friendship blindness :
The Foundation is not strong,
Then the Building can't last long.

8 **A**Mongst those of the Female Sex,
(Maids, Wives and Widows, all I'll mix)
You shall indifferent Welcome find,
But not according to your mind.

9 **A**Jocund Constellation reigns,
And unto you this Lot remains,
For all your sorrows (I dare say)
You'll have much Merriment this day.

10 **I**F thou would'st be preferr'd (Youngman)
Leave off thy Wooing (if thou can)
A Reason for't my Judgment renders,
This Wooing thy Preferment hinders.

11 **Y**OU may confide for Certainty,
Upon this honest Company ;
From good, good springs, and prov't you will,
This Company is constant still.

12 **A**Lthough't be long before (my Friend)
You bring your wishes to an end ;
Be patient, and with toil and pain,
You shall your ends i'th' end obtain.

Orpheus.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Orpheus 99.

2 **S**weetheart, the Man that's made for thee,
Will rather like a Woman be :
He'll be a Cotquean on my credit ;
When 'thaps, remember that I sed it.

3 **G**ood Woman, set your heart at rest,
You are with Jealousie possest ;
And till that Passion you subdue
This Man will ne'er concur with you.

4 **A**lthough the Man be somewhat slack,
And in Affection doth hang back ;
To tell your Gold, his Fingers itches,
And you may get him for your Riches.

5 **T**ake heed before you go too far ;
For though he seem a fixed Star,
Yet very easily he'll remove ;
For he's inconstant in his love.

6 **T**hy Company's not fit for all,
Thy welcome is most principal
Among young Men, and people that
Love to be merry, laugh and chat

7 **I** prithee Lad, ben't vext at me,
For I can't help thy Destiny ;
I do not judge thy course of Life,
But th'art not fit to have a Wife.

8 **I**f ever thou be i'th' mind to wed,
It must be when drink's in thy head ;
Thou lov'st not honest Lads, nor Punk,
Unless it be when thou art drunk.

9 **T**hou shalt a handsome Lads obtain,
I promise not much worldly gain :
Her Beauty is a Portion rich ;
'Vvare Horns : Does not thy forehead itch ?

10 **T**hou may'st prevail never to fail ;
For in thy Suit thou shalt prevail :
It is thy Lot again to have her ;
For thou art greatly in her Favour.

11 **F**ear not, my Lad, to have this Lads ;
For certainly none ever was
So far enamour'd on a Man :
She'll do to have thee, all she can.

12 **T**hou art so clownish and so rude,
That 'tis but Folly to intrude
To VVomens Presence : they condemn
Thy Company, 'cause thou lov'st not them.

Mercurius.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller

Mercurius. 100.

2 **I**F thou a trusty Friend canst find,
Then unto him disclose thy mind:
Two heads (they say) are better than one;
Then trust not thine own Skill alone.

3 **B**E not afraid that you shall not
Have any Children: for your Lot
Is to have three, nor more, nor less,
This to be true you shall confess.

4 **S**weetheart, the Fates favour you much,
You'll have a Husband that hath such
Rare wit, and qualities so sweet,
For any good thing he'll be meet.

5 **T**hy Fortune is, kind Lads, to have
One that will be a Soldier brave:
Resolve thy self before thou marry,
If thou a Knap sack well canst carry.

6 **M**arry him (Woman) if thou can,
He's a good, loving, merry Man,
He'll laugh away all idle Folly;
For Mirth's better than Melancholly.

7 **Y**ou might perhaps the Man obtain,
But th' Loss is better than the Gain;
For without doubt believ't for true,
He loves another better than you.

8 **Y**ou love the Party well, I know,
The Party loveth you also:
But here's the difference, in few hours,
You'll find it not so firm as yours.

9 **T**hy Vertues that transcendent be,
Thy prudence and humanity,
Makes every one to love thee well;
Thus Vertue doth 'twixt Honour dwell.

10 **T**hou shalt, my Friend, twice married be,
And Widower twice (take this from me)
For thou shalt surely have two Wives,
And neither of them shall live long lives.

11 **H**er loves more slippery than an Eel,
Now at the heart, anon at th' heel:
Be wise (my Friend) let her alone,
She falls in love with every one.

12 **T**'Wixt good and bad your chance is put;
A rich Wife, but an errant Slut:
And yet to marry her be n't afraid,
Money will hire a cleanly Maid.

Mars.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Mars. 101.

2 **Y**ou are so impudent and bold,
Deny it not, all's true here told ;
'Twill from Preferment keep you long ;
Then blame your self for your own wrong.

3 **A**lthough great Friendship seemeth yet,
Unto the same a Date is set ;
It will turn all to hate i'th' end,
And one will 'gainst another bend.

4 **B**e patient, don't despair at all,
And in the end, mark what will fall :
Before a little time expire,
You shall attain to your desire.

5 **L**et not thy thoughts delude thee, Friend,
For if thereon thou dost depend,
Thy hopes are vain, and short will shrink ;
'Twill not all be as thou dost think.

6 **T**his Dream, great Loss and Detriment
Seems to include in its portent ;
And when the Matter comes to tryal,
You'll find 'twill chance some great denial.

7 **Y**ou were not born in happy hour,
The Fates upon you seem to lowre ;
Look too't, I tell you as a Friend,
Y'are like to make a heavy end.

8 **T**hy time of Life will have long date,
But seldom in a happy State ;
For thou shalt pass from th' night to th' morrow,
Almost in a continual Sorrow.

9 **T**here is no cause of grief at all,
If any, yet 'twill be but small,
And therefore do not you complain ;
For what you lost, you'll get again.

10 **L**et not the Parents much lament,
But arm themselves with sweet content ;
By my Conjecture it appears,
This Child at th' most lives but eight years.

11 **U**nto the Husband and the Wife,
The Destinies do give long Life ;
They very long shall live together,
And at one time like Flowers shall wither.

12 **T**ake heed (my Friend) and be not mad,
For if you follow that Counsel bad,
It will no good Luck to you bring,
Nor will you thrive in any thing.

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Flora.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Flora. 102.

2 **I**N troth (Sweetheart) I pity thee,
Thou lov'st a Man too well, for he
In time of need from thee will shrink,
He loves not thee as thou dost think.

3 **T**O merriment thou art inclin'd,
And 'tis by Fate to thee assign'd,
That thou wilt chiefly welcome be
To People that love mirth and glee.

4 **T**Hou shalt but one Wife have alone,
And that thou'lt think too many by one;
She shall be rich (indeed) but old,
And which is worse, an arrant Scold.

5 **B**E wise, go forward in thy choice,
And thou shalt have cause to rejoyce;
She's a good Housewife be thou sure,
And one that will thy weal procure.

6 **B**E not thou vext at Fortune's Lot,
For being blind, she seeth not:
A Wife she'll give thee, (mark it right)
Whom thou shalt find a grain too light.

7 **S**He is perfect true in mind,
She unto thee seems very kind;
But learn my Friend, as light to fet her,
For sure she loves another better.

8 **B**E not too hasty, have a care,
And of this Creature be aware,
For if thou have her, she to thee
Will prove an angry stinging Bee.

9 **Y**ou'll be a Man employed much,
Your worthy Qualities are such,
In Counsel, State, and such Affairs,
You'll end your date of worldly cares.

10 **T**His day seems to portend for you
A Journey; say, Friend, is't not true?
Do not deny't, for 'tis most right,
Thou'lt walk somewhere 'twixt this and night.

11 **P**referment follows at thy heel,
As by Experience thou shalt feel;
My Art which hath but seldome err'd,
Says thou shalt quickly be preferr'd.

12 **B**E not too confident (good Friend).
This Company doth Love pretend,
But I advise thee, do not trust
Them, for they'll be to thee unjust.

Pan.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Part. 103.

2 **S** He shall be young and rich withal,
But her stock of Vertue's small ;
Thou'lt with thy self devoid of Life,
Rather than live with such a Wife.

3 **H**onest Man be rul'd by me,
Trust her not too much, for she
Seems to love, but the conclusion
Will prove all but meer delusion.

4 **B**E not daunted, but persist,
Though thou find not as thou list :
Trouble not thy self with fear,
Yet thou may'st come somewhat near.

5 **I**F the Proverb do not mock,
Thou wert wrapt in thy Mothers Smock,
For thou art (as I do find)
Well belov'd 'mongst Womenkind.

6 **W**hatsoe'er may be the Cause,
Thou canst tell with little pause :
Be it what it can or may,
This is to thee a merry day.

7 **T**is pity but he had his Right,
For he is a worthy Wight ;
He from Vertues Rule ne'er swerves,
Great Preferment he deserves.

8 **M**ake much of this good Company ;
For thou shalt be sure thereby
To arise (say that I sed it)
Unto Friendship, Wealth and Credit.

9 **Y**our pleasant affability,
Join'd with Liberality,
For a certain 'twill you bring
To obtain the wished thing.

10 **T**rouble not thy self in vain,
Drive such Fancies from thy brain,
For I truly tell to thee,
What thou thinkst will never be.

11 **B**E not troubled at this Dream,
Entertain no Thoughts extream,
For 'tis to be understood,
That this Dream portends your good.

12 **T**He end, if good, 's the Crown of all :
If bad, of evils principal ;
This chance can nought but good portend ;
A loving Person brings the end.

Solon.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Solon. 104.

2 **T**O woe (my Friend) 'tis almost folly,
By reason of your melancholly;
For be assur'd of this, that no Man
That's so, is car'd for by a Woman.

3 **H**ere is a Chance of Merchandise,
Or of a Chapmans exercise:
Be sure, this day you'll prosper well,
If you do either buy or sell.

4 **I**F thou wouldst Preferment have,
Leave the Pot (thou drunken Knave)
This Experience proveth plain;
A Drunkard can small credit gain.

5 **B**E not afraid, nor Scruple take,
These Companions thine to make;
For I (truly) testifie,
That 'tis no bad Company.

6 **I**F the thing you wish t' obtain,
Were but possible to gain,
You might, (nay more, you should) atchieve it;
But 'tis impossible; then leave it.

7 **'T**is but Folly to expect
What will never take effect;
Fortune will not to't agree,
To speak plain, this cannot be.

8 **'T**was a Dream; well, let that pass,
But what e'er the meaning was,
Try if Fate may be withstood,
For to you it bodes no good.

9 **T**His hasty hurrying I like not;
Fair and softly, ben't too hot;
For I tell thee as a Friend,
'Twill bring thee t'an untimely end.

10 **I**F to Thirty you arrive,
Then the Fates do thus contrive,
That you may live longer yet,
O'er that stile you'll hardly get.

11 **S**pare thy Labour, and thy Cost,
For the thing that thou hast lost;
Do not cast good after bad;
For the thing will ne'er be had.

12 **T**His is a lusty healthful Bearn,
And will live long (from Truth I learn)
Of Sciences among the rest,
It will Musick love the best

Arion.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Arion. 105.

2 **T**Rouble not thy self in vain,
For her Love thou shalt not gain;
Though she'll kiss and toy, yet she
Doth not care a Farth for thee.

3 **A**Las! good Woman, ill's your Lot,
An unkind Husband have you got:
And let me give the Devil his due,
He loves your Money better than you.

4 **S**weet Lass, thou art so blithe or bold,
If thou wilt hear thy Fortune told,
Be not abash'd, nor swear, nor stamp,
Th' art only fit to follow the Camp.

5 **T**ake heed unto thy self this day,
And be advis'd by what I say:
For you will meet with some distaste,
If't ben't prevented by forecast.

6 **L**ook not yet to elevate
Thy self by strength of worldly state;
Fortune will grant at last thy boon,
Yet won't prefer thee very soon.

7 **'T**Were well for thee thy hopes were stronger,
If this good Company might last longer;
Unto thy Profit 'twould arise,
Make use of time, I thee advise.

8 **I**F you do desire a thing
Possible to pass to bring,
It may and shall be brought t'effect,
Even as you do expect.

9 **W**Hat you now do think upon,
Do not look for it anon;
But be sure 'twill come t'effect,
If your self don't it neglect.

10 **T**Rouble not thy mind at all,
What may from thy Dream befall;
For 'tis worth no estimation,
Drive 't from thy Imagination.

11 **I**F thou know'st thy self aright,
Thou art in a happy plight,
And hast cause to be full glad;
Better Fortune can't be had.

12 **Y**ou shall unto Old Age arrive,
And in all temporal Substance thrive;
In Honour, Riches bravely got,
You'll end your Life; such is your Lot.

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Cupid.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Cupid. 106.

2 **T**His is a day of days to thee,
For it a happy day will be :
Fortune (it seems) is fully bent,
This day to give thee heart's content.

3 **T**He Learning and apt promptitude
Wherewith thou amply art indu'd,
Unto Preferment will thee raise ;
Learn thou to give the Giver praise.

4 **T**He Company that thou dost keep,
Is of an apprehension deep :
Then if with Credit you'll keep touch,
Indeed you must bear with it much.

5 **T**O Diligence you are inclin'd,
Therefore what you conceive in mind,
You through that Vertue shall attain,
Look after it, 'tis worth your pain.

6 **I**F thy thoughts soar not too high,
But be sway'd by Modesty ;
Then the thing to pass will come,
Or else not : this is thy doom.

7 **L**ook to thy self, and be in doubt,
With thy Neighbours to fall out :
For the purport of this Dream,
Is Enmity and Hate extream.

8 **T**Hou shalt in honour live and die,
And i'th' face of thine Enemy :
In War thou shalt thy Date expire,
A Death (for Honour) no death higher.

9 **P**Rudence and other Vertues rare,
Wherewith you amply furnish'd are,
Have purchas'd to you (void of strife)
Both Riches and long term of Life.

10 **L**eave off thy toil (Sweetheart) be quiet,
He's not appointed for thy diet :
For all thy love, thy care, and pain,
(To say the truth) is all in vain.

11 **G**ood Fortune doth this Child attend ;
'Twill be long time e'er his Life end :
Besides, it shall much Riches gather,
To glad the Mother, joy the Father.

12 **I** Find it right, and 'twill be so ;
Let neither of them grieve for't tho' :
The Wife will die before her Mate,
For certain thus I calculate.

Teuclion.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Teuclion. 107.

2 **F**ear not to enter on her, Man,
But wed so soon as e're thou can :
For she'll be to thee (all her Life)
A constant, loving, honest Wife.

3 **F**ortune leaves smiling upon you,
And loves you dearly (to say true :)
For friendly welcome she affords
To you, 'mongst Princes and great Lords.

4 **T**his day bodes neither bliss nor bale ;
Betwixt them you may safely sail :
'Tis a strange chance as can be had ;
For thou needst fear nor good nor bad.

5 **T**hou speakest fair, and hop'st thereby,
Thy feigned words and flattery,
The Object of thy Wish t' attain,
Yet all thy glosing is in vain.

6 **S**ee, and in seeing heedfully
Thou may'st observe this Company :
They faithful are, and in worthy trust,
For all their words and deeds are just.

7 **B**E not too rash in giving o'er ;
For thou must wait a little more :
And thou by leisure shalt aspire
Unto the height of thy desire.

8 **C**ast not away thy hope, my Friend,
But patiently expect the end ;
And with a little patient pain,
Thou shalt unto thy wish attain

9 **B**Y this Dream which you have had,
The Issues will be but bad :
Some great sickness will ensue ;
Patience is best ease for you.

10 **T**hy Fortune's very hard and ill :
For I tell thee by my skill,
That thou shalt, e'er thy life ends,
Be forsaken of all thy Friends.

11 **T**hou wilt not grow very aged ;
(For this Truth my skill's engaged)
Nor much Honour shalt thou get
Thus thy Destiny is set.

12 **W**hat is lost, be sure of this,
Blame me if I say amiss :
You shall very shortly know
Where they be: no more but so.

Satyri.

The Dutch Fortune-Teller.

Satyriz. 108.

2 **S** He is not very handsome, I confess,
Yet I advise thee t'have her ne'ertheless:
She's truly honest, that's without dispute,
And one that to thy humour well will sute.

3 **T**hy Fortune's good in choice; for thou
Shalt that Saying disallow,
Can she be fair and honest too?
Yes; one who is so is thy due.

4 **T**rust her not (my Friend) for she
Is not what she seems to be:
She's a false dissembling Slut,
Now th'art warn'd in time, look to't.

5 **T**hou think'st she loves thee, but thou art
Very much deceiv'd (good Heart)
She's a subtle cunning Drab,
And loves thee as she loves a Crab.

6 **L**ook not at all Welcome to be,
'Mongst any of the best degree:
Thou may'st have Entertainment then
'Mongst common People and Husbandmen.

7 **W**ouldst know what will befall this day?
Then prithee list to what I say,
Lay by a Groat against to morrow,
For thou'lt ride out all the day thorow.

8 **T**hou may'st Preferment get e'er long,
But say, Gramercy fleering Tongue;
Then try thy skill; yet 'tis no boot
To say I had thee, thou wilt do't.

9 **T**he Company you need not dread;
By their Instructions be you led:
Believe me, Friend, I speak no Fable,
This Company may be profitable.

10 **U**nto your 'Wish a Period set;
Yet 'cause I tell you, do not fret:
You desire a thing in vain;
For you shall never it obtain.

11 **T**hink upon the thing no more,
For thou no reason hast therefore:
'Tis Time ill spent, I say to thee,
For what thou think'st will never be.

12 **B**E wary in your ways (my Friend)
And do nothing but to good end;
For this your Dream, I tell you true,
Portends some great Mischance to you.

F I N I S.

